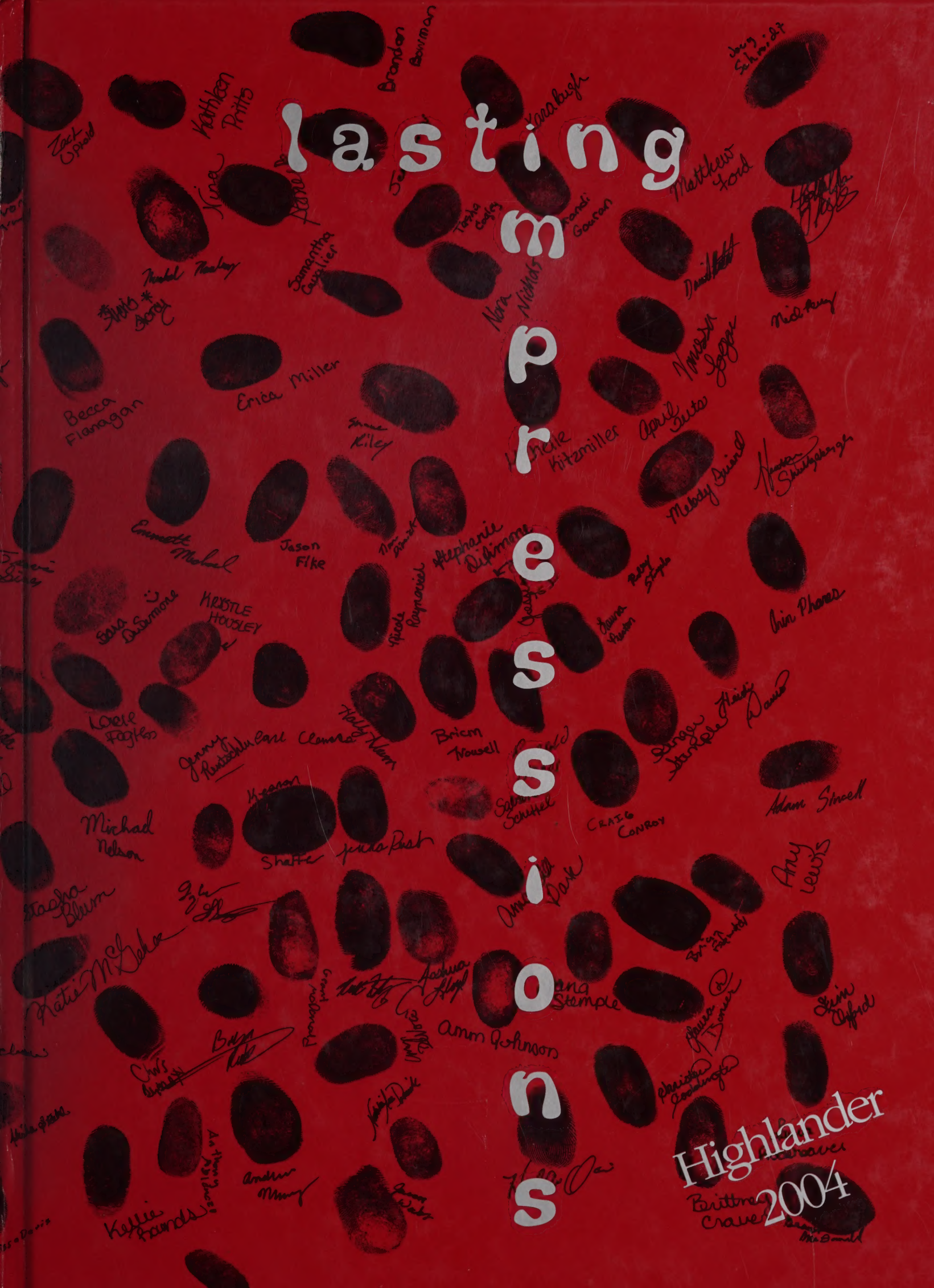
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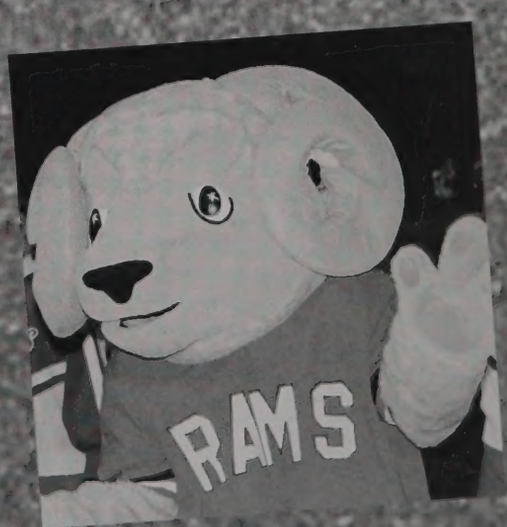
# Looking back at our footprints

We've all come such a long way from the time when we first stepped through the doorway of Southern High School. Freshmen have now learned the ropes and aren't afraid of getting lost down the cement hallway or shoved into a gym locker. Sophomores can't wait to be considered "upperclassmen" and are starting to think about college. Juniors can't wait to earn the title of "Senior" and are making plans for senior pranks already.



Justine Pagenhardt's miracle half-court shot

Seniors have been through it all – learning the ropes, endless college searches, senior pranks and plans for graduation. They can't wait for the day they will be free ...and then suddenly, it's all over. No more roaming the halls, seeing familiar faces every morning, or stopping by a favorite teacher's room just to chat. T i m e flies, but if we take advantage of the opportunities we have to create *Lasting Impressions*, we won't have any regrets when we look back at our years at Southern High Schod.

Nichole Knox

# Student Life

Taking a look at the Student Life of 2003-2004 brings back floods of memories. Who could forget the entire week of snowdays, how the 6th Man Club cheered our Boys Basketball team onto a spine-tingling win against the Northern Huskies, or Mrs. White's mini period sign language performance to "Frosty the Snowman" at the Christmas assembly? These events have left lasting impressions on us and will remain in our hearts forever.

Bryan Corby

# ROYAL RAM PRIDE

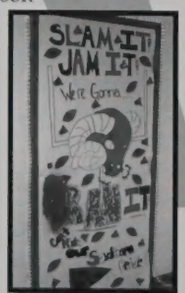
Staff Writer: Amanda Sisler

The students and staff of Southern High left their mark on the school when they took part in Spirit Week before the big homecoming game on Friday and the dance on Saturday. Crazy Day kicked off the week with students dressing as crazy as they wanted by wearing costumes, mixing clothes, and sporting crazy hair styles. Tuesday was Twin Day, on which friends dressed the same to show Ram pride. Wednesday was Hat Day, and students came to school in all kinds of hats from jester to John Deere. Pajama Day was Thursday. Students wore their PJs and added fuzzy slippers and colorful bathrobes to their ensembles. Friday was Red and White Day. Students came dressed in royal Ram colors and got pumped for the big game.

A door decorating contest also took place during the week. Classes showed their Ram pride by dressing up their doors. The main office and the guidance office also took part in the contest. Ms. Gibson's class won first place followed by Mrs. White's and Mr. Krupa's taking second and third. Students and staff enjoyed the week and many kept their doors decorated in the days following Spirit Week.

## 1st Place

"The Child Care I class worked together to decorate my three doors. They showed a lot of creativity and spirit. Go Rams! "
–Jane Gibson



Angel Sharpless

## RAM PRIDE

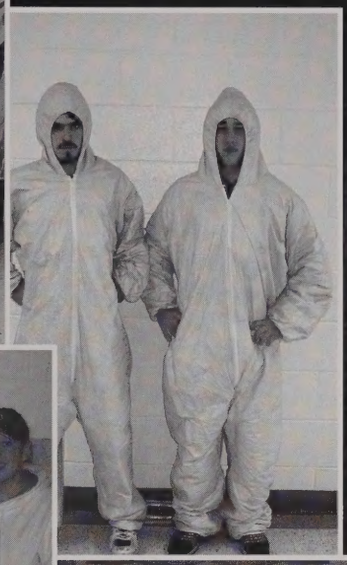
Styling, Rocking, Craziness

> Varsity Cheerleaders Kara Paugh and Nikki Raynovich participated in Spirit Week and showed their Ram pride in SHS by posing as the Blues Brothers on Twin Day.

<Freshmen Kayla Cosner and Brianna Everidge show a little bit of style with their fuzzy hats.

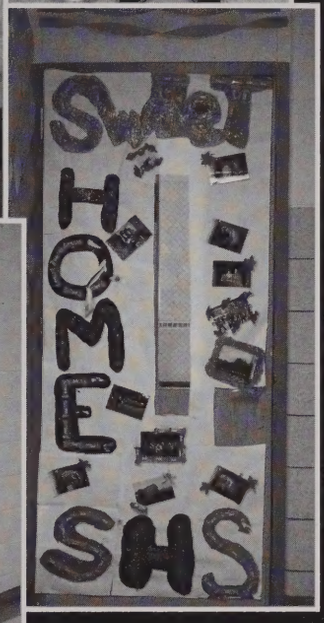
>Crazy Day was the kickoff of Spirit Week, October 13-17. Melody Friend sports her Ram pride. Go Rams!

Lisa Wade and Melody Friend



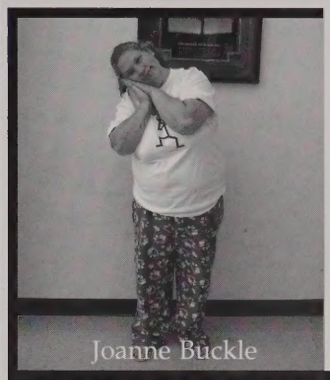
James Shahan and Josh Brown

Hat Day Participants

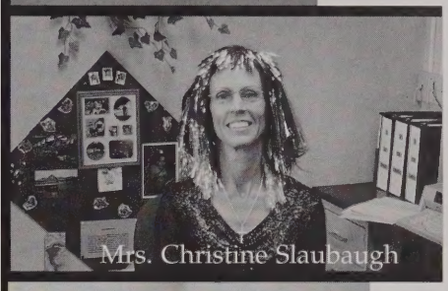


Mrs. White's second place winning door

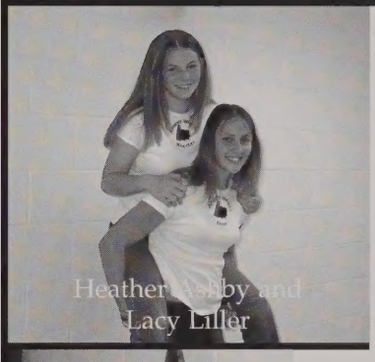
Casey Hughes and Bethany Jones



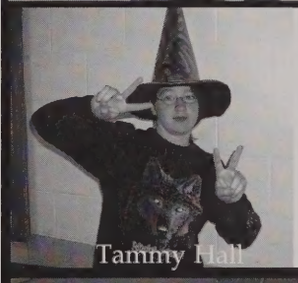
Joanne Buckle



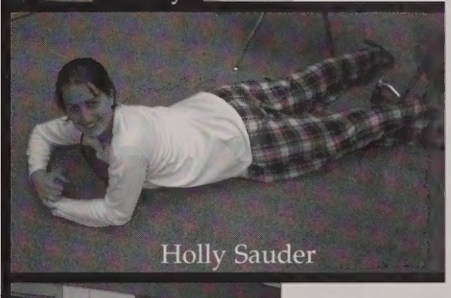
Mrs. Christine Slaubaugh



Heather Ashby and Lacy Liller

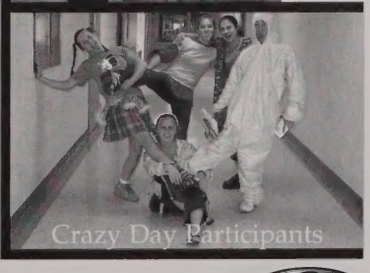


Tammy Hall



Holly Sauder

Guidance



Crazy Day Participants

Kelly Baker

**Day to Day**

# Dressin' Up vs. Puttin' Down

What we Like and Loathe about Spirit Week

| Crazy Day | |
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| "It's a way to show school spirit and that you don't care what people think," said Melody Friend. | Sarah Anderson said, "Some people dress too crazy and though it might look good sometimes it's distracting." |
| **Twin Day** | |
| Josh Brown said, "You get to have people look just like you." | "Some of the groups in school already dress alike, like the kids in black and the rednecks," said Ronald Coleman. |
| **PJ Day** | |
| "You get to wear comfortable clothing and can get out of bed without having to get dressed," said Justine Pagenhardt. | Laura Bonser said, "If you wear your slippers and it rains outside, your slippers get wet and then your feet are soggy the rest of the day." |

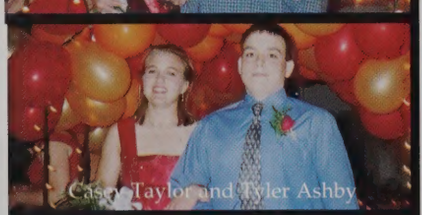
Alyssa Bainter and Trevor Gelson

Robbin Grove and Zachary Uegle

Stephanie Disimone and Karl Hillen

Megan Pike and Levi Filsinger

Sabrina Scheffel and Craig Conroy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Bethany Jones and John Knox

Ashley Davis

Stephanie Abe, Evan Thayer and Chelsea Davis

Sabrina Scheffel and Mark Bergstrom

Megan Swartzentruber, Laura Preston, Julia Bosley, Erica Pratt, Sarah Bittinger, Megan Pike, Chelsea Wassell, and Kayla Nazelrod

Chelsea LaRue and Heather Ashby

Amanda Perry and Alasha Rush

## Head to Head

# Hot or Not?

While many loved the dance, there are those who have opposing views.

### Decorations - Delight or Dilemma?

"The decorations were good, but the music was not. I liked all the balloons though."
-Sarah Schmitz

"The decorations could have included more sports than football."
-James Naylor

### Court - A Royal Gain or Pain?

"I thought being on court was pretty fun and I didn't expect to make it. I would like to thank everyone who voted for me."
- John Knox

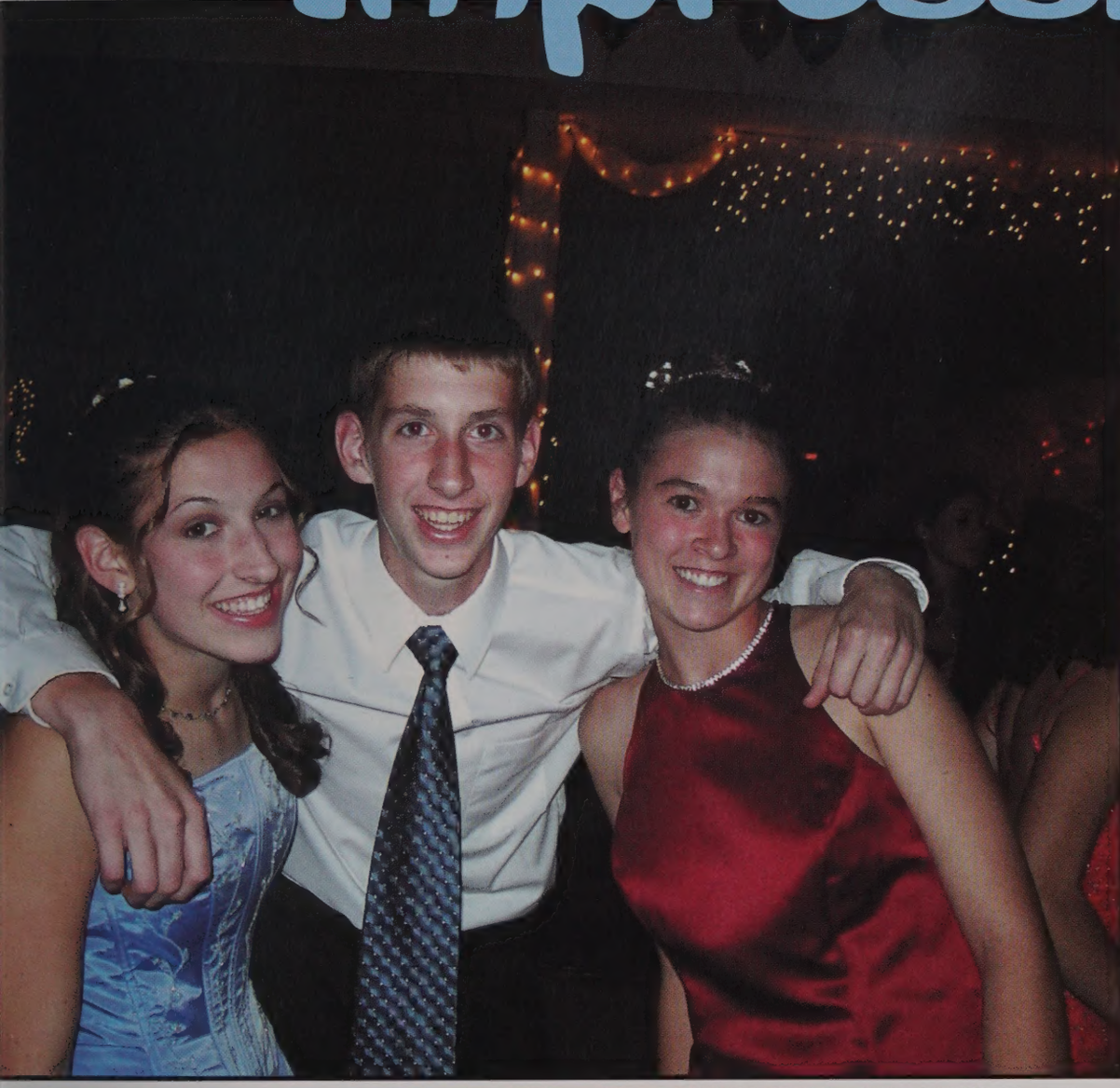
"It's always a nerve-wracking experience standing up there on the stage with everyone staring at me."
-Sabrina Scheffel

# First Impressions

Staff Writer: Brandi Gouran

This year's theme was *Bringing the Team Home.* The cheerleaders worked extra hard to make the cafeteria look like a football field. "The dance was a lot of stress and I hope everyone liked it because it was a lot of fun," stated cheerleading captain Melody Friend, who helped decorate for this year's dance. The cheerleaders decked out the cafeteria in bright, festive school and fall colors.

They made the stage to look like a giant football field with lights and balloons of all colors. There were many tasty types of foods and drinks that people could sample while relaxing from all the dancing. Mr.Biggs said, "It was great that the kids and the parents worked together and did a wonderful job. The stage decorations really stood out. It was very attractive."



Dancin' the Night Away

< Nichole Harvey, Christen Miller, Erica Miller, Melanie Dumire and friends have fun while partying at the dance.

< Kenzie Craig loves the dances. With this being her second year at Southern, she has even more fun at the dances because she knows a lot more people. "They are fun and always have great decorations. "

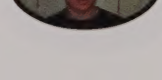
> Melissa Ray, Erin Rhodes, and Kendra McLaughlin really enjoyed the dance. "The dance was fun and everything was cool. I had a great time hanging out with all my friends," says Melissa.

LASTING MEMORIES

**Dancing and Music**

"I thought the dance was pretty dull and I didn't like the music at all. I think the dance could have been better, but it was ok for what it was."
–Matt Ashby

John Shaffer



# Glory of Autumn

Staff Writer: Sarah Anderson

Oakland's annual Autumn Glory Celebration was as colorful as ever. Not only did students have two days vacation instead of one, but the weather was warm, and the food was delicious. The sun was shining and the leaves were bright with color. Travis Friend was crowned King and Natalie Domenick was named Princess for the yearly Autumn Glory parade. Kasey Bell did a wonderful job conducting the band, and everyone had a good time.

As always, the parade was filled with creatively decorated floats. While some displayed the typical streamers and balloons, others really stood out -- like the Noah's Ark float. The Amish breakfast was delicious, and the craft and antique shows were enlightening. The ice cream eating contest at the Lakeside Creamery was extremely messy. The employees ended up going home with more ice cream on them than the people who participated in the contest.

### The Gory of Autumn

"Being a pink bubble has never been so much fun," said Colleen Watson, who was on the *Murder Room* float.

Gregory Graham

## In the Action

Southern Students Shine in the Parade

› Alissa Garland stands by the American flag on the Sport Aerobics float. The internationally acclaimed team showed off some of their routines for the crowd.

‹ Last year, Kenzie Craig competed in the Miss Teen Frostburg contest and came away with first place.

› Kasey Bell leads the band in the parade. As drum major, she is in the spotlight at the band's spectacular performances throughout the fall.

Stephanie Keenan



Chelsea Davis



Elizabeth Thayer, Hannah Watkins, Elizabeth Rush, Joanne Buckle & Casey Hughes



Adam Sincell



Chad Remley, Logan Craig, Patrick DiGioia, and Taylor Crabtree



Kenny Marks & Jessica Petrella



Laura Bonser & Erin Rhodes



Christopher Tepper



Nikki Reeves & Krystle Housley



Allison Richter & Rikkilee Rose



Colleen Watson & Evan Thayer



Ashley Rotenberger, Amberly Lewis, & Ashley Walters



Misha Blackmon

## Head to Head

# Go vs. No

Autumn Glory Events

### Autumn Glory Parade: Go or Stay Home?

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| "I always go because you never know what you are going to see ." - Amanda Sisler. | "I stay home because it's the same thing every year." - Hannah Stahl |

### Amish Breakfast: 5:00 am or Sleep in?

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| "The food was good, and food is more important then sleep. " - Kailee Craig | "The food was good, but I would have rather slept in until nine o'clock." - Michael Mosser. |

### Craft and Antique Shows: YES or NO?

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| "I go because my mom goes." - Sarah Mullenax. | "I just don't find them interesting." -Angie Tichnell |

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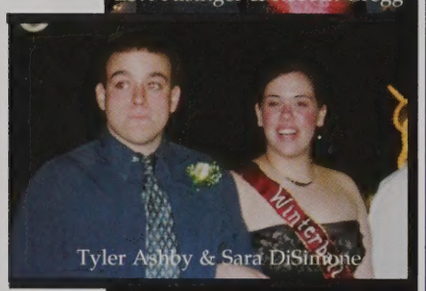
Casey Taylor & Shane Riley

Jason Weeks & Fallon Farley

Levi Filsinger & Robbin Gregg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Will Biser & Angela Kahl

Winterball Court

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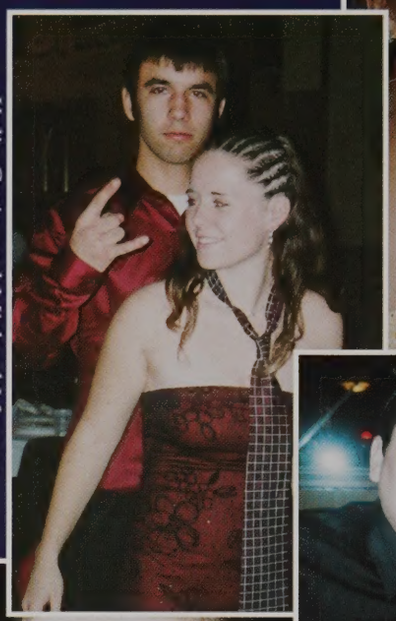

Kalie Craig and Micheal Mosser

Emmett Michael and Caitlyn Brown

Bryan Crosco

Nina Stoner and Craig Mason

Ashley Rohrbaugh and Cody Brack

The Season of fun

# Winterball

Thoughts on the dance, music, food and more

## Jump and Jive

"The dance was fun and a lot of my friends were there. We had a good time dancing with everyone."
- Krista Hanline

"The decorations werecool but the cleaning up afterwards was a pain."
-Alisha Stahl

## Friends and Food

"I enjoyed Winterball because it was cool to just hang out with my friends."
- Bobby Bonser

"There were only a few slow songs, but that was ok -- more food for me."
- Laura Bonser

## Fun and Festivities

"Winterball was fun because all my friends were there, and we got to hang out."
-Chelsea Davis

"Getting ready made the night really fun but also hectic, because there was a lot to do."
-Amanda King

# 'Tis the Season

Staff Writer: Brandi Gouran

Winterball was sponsored by the senior class, which hoped to add money to the senior class account. Mrs. Shipe headed up this dance along with many of the seniors. The cafeteria was decorated in a Christmas theme. The committee used a mix of burgundy and green to create a winter wonderland. Bright lights, snowflakes, and glowing reindeer served as the finishing touches. The result was beautiful and reflected the senior class's desire to make this a special night for everyone. The dance was a thorough success and was well worth the effort of those involved.

## WINTER FUN

### Dressed to Impress

< The senior class officers: Holly Sauder, Colleen Watson, Levi Filsinger, and Erin Oxford came to the dance to party and have fun. The also had a hand in decorating and setting up for this dance.

< Sarah Anderson, Brittany Naylor, and Erin Rhodes enjoy Winterball together.

> Megan Pike came to the dance with her long-time boyfriend Steven Knepp. After dancing the night away, they take a break to sit and watch for a while.

**Decoration Sensation**

"I had a part in the planning and decorating of Winterball, so it was really nice to walk into the room that night and see all the work had paid off. I had a lot of fun with my friends and my boyfriend."

Nina Stoner

# Affaire de Amore

Staff Writer: Alisha Stahl

Winter Homecoming was sponsored by the Student Council. This dance was in honor of the Winter Sports teams and all the hard work the athletes and coaches put in throughout the season. The theme was based on the elegance and charm of Paris. The colors, red and white, added to the romance of Valentine's Day on which the dance was held.

The Eiffel Tower was the center piece on the stage. Affaire de Amore was the theme which tied everything from the decorations to the food together. Red and white balloons floating around floor added to the elegant atmosphere.

Mr. Mayfield, the advisor of the Student Council, was selected to crown the king and queen this year in honor of his last year teaching at Southern High. Jason Fike was crowned King and Sara DiSimone was crowned Queen. Jason and Sara are also the president and vice president of Student Council.

The members of Student Council and other various volunteers worked very hard on the decorations and all the preparations to make this dance very special for all who attended.

**Crowning Achievement**

Amanda Sisler said, "I thought that it was truly touching and meaningful that Mr. Mayfield crowned the court in honor of his last year of teaching at Southern. The dance turned out great."

Derek Ludwig

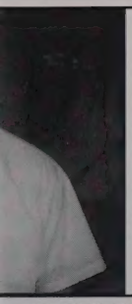
## Winter Homecoming

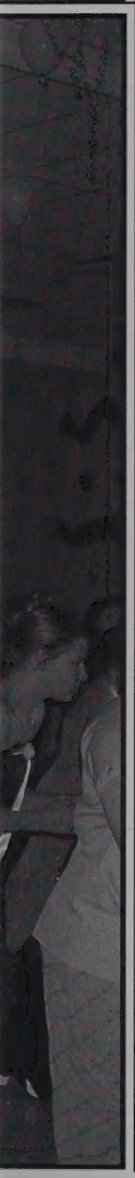
Friends having a good time

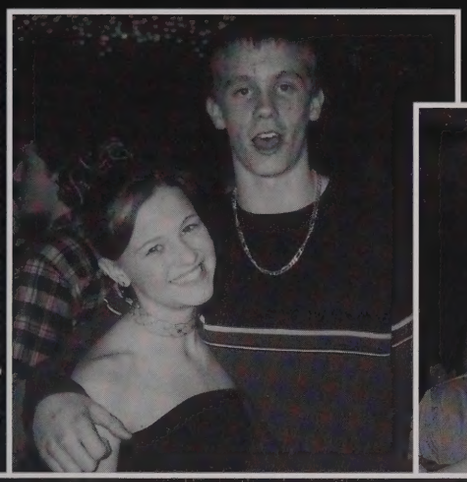
> Megan Viar raved, "I really liked the dance and I had a great time with my friends Hannah Gnegy and Rose Jackson."

< Casey Hughes and David Mageda liked the dance. Casey said, "The dance was a lot of fun. I enjoyed Winter Homecoming because a lot of my friends were there."

> Amberly Lewis and her friend Heather Ashby both agree the dance was a success. Amberly said, "I had a lot of fun at the dance and enjoyed seeing everyone together."







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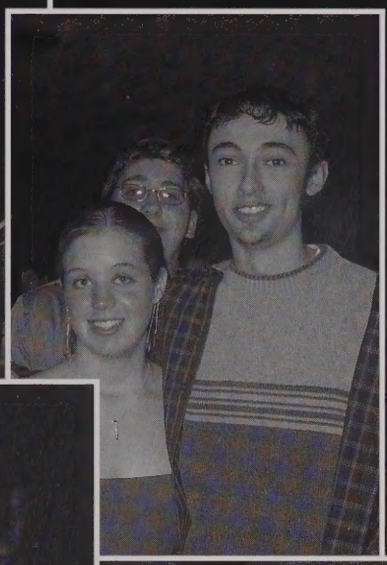

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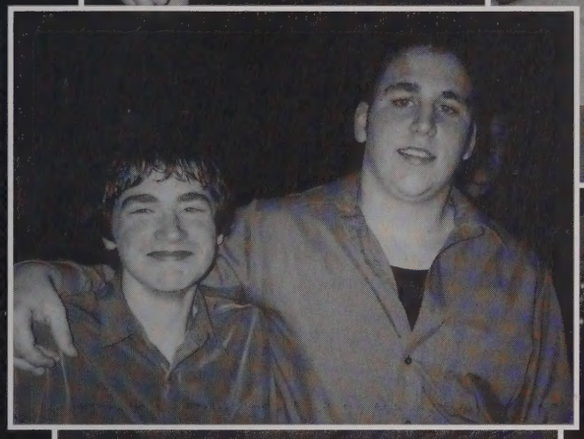

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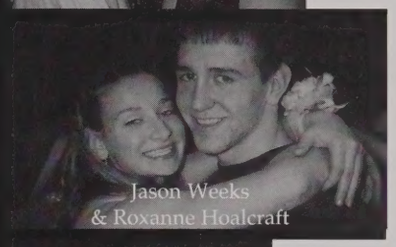
Jason Fike & Sara DiSimone



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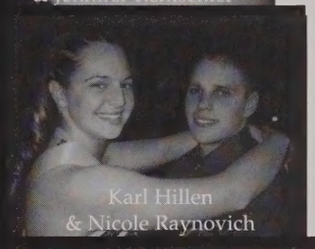

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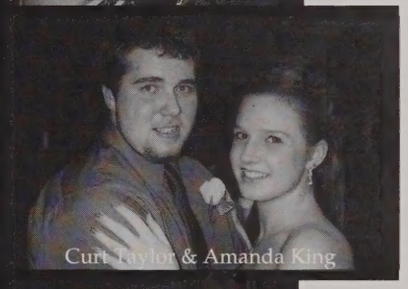


Curt Taylor & Amanda King

Aaron Louden & Jasmine Scheffel

Brandon Manko & Caitlyn Brown

Mark Bittinger & Anet Dishmon

Lauren Moon & Jonathan Martin

**Head to Head**

# Outstanding vs. Ordinary

How did Winter Homecoming measure up?

### Good Music?

"I really liked the music. The dance was a lot of fun because all my friends were there." - Autumn Wood

"The dance was alright. The music was good, but the food wasn't." - Amber Plank

### Great Decorations?

"Winter Homecoming was the same as the other dances, but I thought the decorations were better because I helped decorate." - Ivan Stutzman

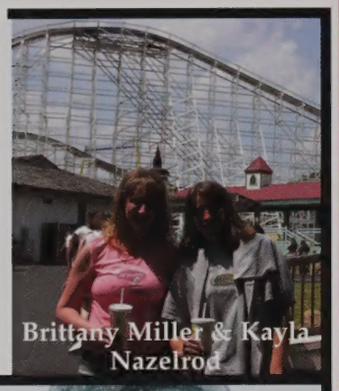
"I thought that the dance was like any other dance. There was nothing special about it." - Ryan "Bubba" Domenick

### Best Friends?

"I enjoyed Winter Homecoming because it was a great chance to hang out with my friends." - Bobby Bonser.

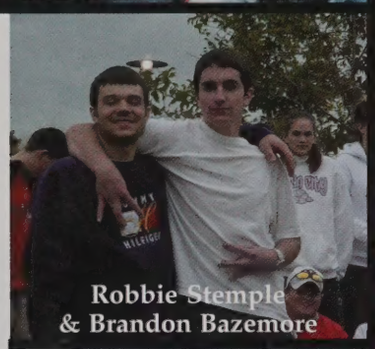
"I had fun at the dance. A lot of my friends were there. It was just an ordinary dance." - Jesse Woods.

Christopher Hechmer



Brittany Miller & Kayla Nazelrod

Alaska Rush & Lora Teets



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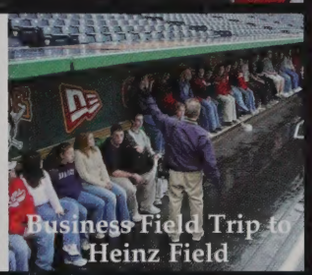

Business Field Trip to Heinz Field

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Robbie DeWitt & Jennifer Rentschler

Jessie Woods

Jeremy Morton

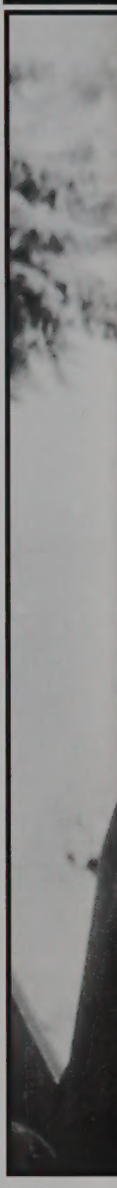
Melissa Rohrbaugh & Jasmine Scheffel

Krissy Ashby, Nikki Raynovich, Kara Paugh, Kayla Nazelrod, Amelia Ratliff, & Becca Flanagan

Ryan Gosnell, Jadyn Swerbinsky, Synjun Skeweris, Chris Care, Megan Swartzentruber, & Emily Bowman

Michelle Kitzmiller & April Teets

Jessie Woods



## Head to Head

# Like It or Not

Students Compliment and Complain about Field Trips

### Business Field Trip to Heinz Field

"I enjoyed the tour of Heinz Field. It was an awesome experience," raved Jennifer Rentschler.

"I liked the trip all except for the boat ride on the Gateway Clipper," stated Jessie Woods.

### Field Trip to the Holocaust Museum

"I enjoyed the museum because I had the chance to experience first hand what happened during the Holocaust," stated Melody Friend.

"The trip was really depressing for me. I find it so surreal that the Holocaust ever happened," said Lori Fox.

### Senior Trip & Business Trip to Six Flags

"I had a blast at Six Flags because I was with my girlfriend Jenny and I got to ride the sky coaster for the first time," said Robbie DeWitt.

"The Six Flags trip was fun, but a lot of the rides weren't running," explained Vanessa Logan.

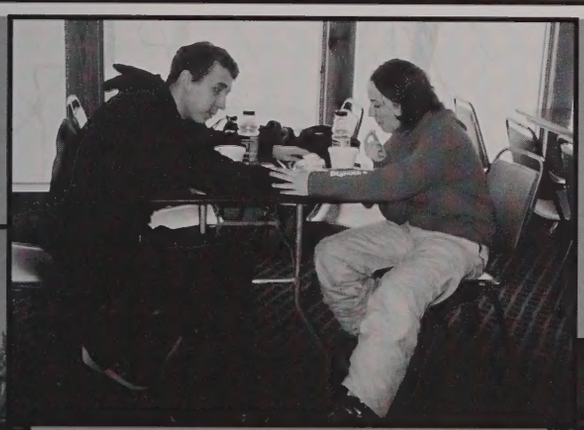
# Making Lasting Memories

Staff Writer: Nicole Tressler

Students and staff alike would probably agree that Southern students have valuable learning experiences outside the classroom. At the mention of the words "field trip," the average student pricks up his ears and teachers heave a sigh of relief.

Field trips give students the chance to learn and have fun in a different environment. They provide an escape from everyday high school life in which students can let loose and enjoy a day out of the ordinary.

This year students had the chance to participate in many different trips. They went to the Holocaust Museum, Six Flags, Vermont, and many other exciting places. The Holocaust Museum was especially significant for students. "The shoes belonging to Holocaust victims were disturbing. The whole thing was unbelievable," said Alisha Stahl.



Emily Bowman and Ryan Gosnell enjoy their lunch together at the ski lodge in Vermont.

"We had a really good time hanging out with our friends all day at Six Flags," commented Lynea Ingram and Emily Smith.

Kirsten Brashear, Jelissa Jones, Nicole Getz, Autumn Alexander, Sarah Ford, and Jennifer George enjoy spending time together on the Gear-Up Carnegie trip.

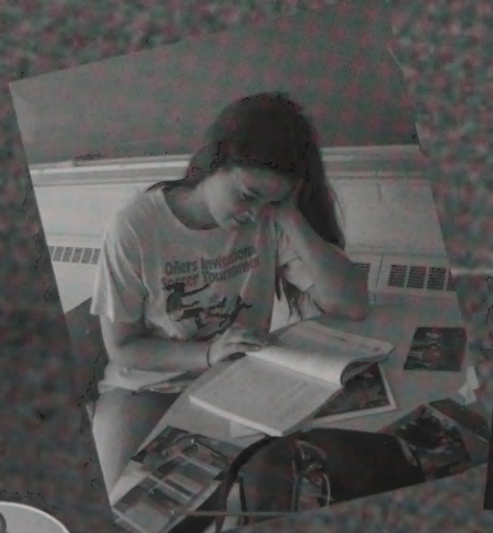
## Taking Time Out

Fun With Friends

### Finger Lickin' Good

"I had a great time on the trip to the Holocaust Museum. My favorite part was eating chicken at Wurzburg Haus, the German restaurant that we went to."
–JD Simpson

Jade Ream



Justin Sweitzer

# Academics & Activities

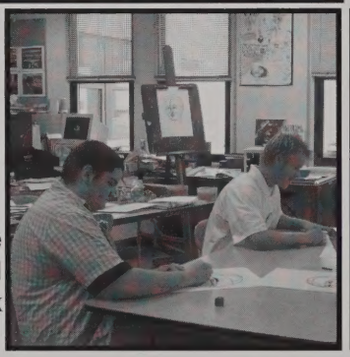
Southern High School offers students a wide variety of academics and activities, enabling them to explore their interests. By providing challenging courses of study as well as interesting activities, Southern helps prepare students for college and life. Activities such as the Freshmen Seminar help ninth graders become better acquainted with the school. Opportunities such as the Distance Learning Lab, AP Courses, and ECAP enable juniors and seniors to get a taste of college-level classes. While Southern may not be the biggest school, it is certainly among the best for its academics and activities.

Sarah Ford

Evan Thayer stated, "Since it's my last year at Southern, I really wanted to participate in the school play. I had an incredibly fun time."

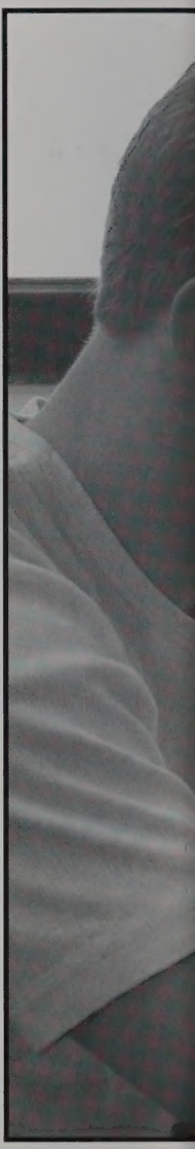
## VITAL INFO

- Each cast member of any school play puts averages 100 hours of rehearsal and preparation in an eight week period.
- Each year the school buys one piece of art work from a student and displays it.
- Southern grads like Matt Burner and Allison Hamilton have found that Mrs. Pratt and Ms. Ringler prepared them very well to compete in their field.



Ian Wolfe and Matt Morgan are working hard in Mrs. Pratt's art class on a final project.

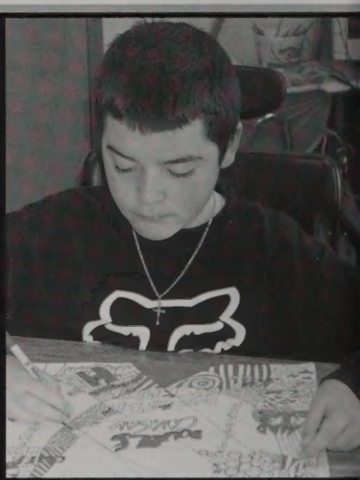
Since the Greeks performed plays while masked, students in Mrs. White's Theatre I class mask each other as part of a Greek theatre history unit.



A student in Ms. Ringler's Art I class works diligently on a word collage.

Joey DeWitt joined Mr. Clever's chorus class to learn more about singing.

Seth Fike, Taylor Crabtree, and Logan Craig are in costume for a prepared scene in Theatre I class.



Cody Ferguson enjoys Ms. Ringler's Art I class because he likes experimenting with different types of art.

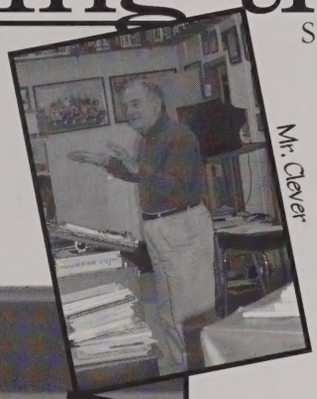
Nicholas Gregg

Chelsea Davis & Lauren Thompson

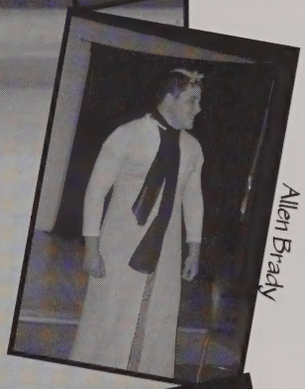
# Fine Arts

## Breaking the Mold

Staff Writer: Jenny Rentschler



Mr. Clever



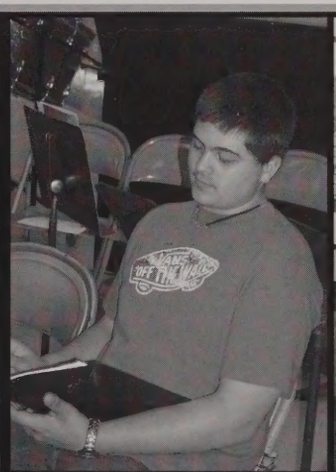
Allen Brady

Trista Sines

Fine arts classes such as music, theatre, and art give students the chance to express themselves and grow as individuals. Chelsea Davis, who has served on the cast of *The Art of Dining*, *Found a Peanut*, and *The Murder Room*, said, "Acting is a chance to experience a different life, and working with everyone on the set of *The Murder Room* was radically fun." A fine arts credit is required to graduate, but most students honestly enjoy taking these types of classes, which give them a break from the lectures and paperwork typically associated with core classes.

Ginger Stemple has taken four art classes. She took art because it gave her the freedom to do the projects she wanted to.

Colleen Watson, playing Susan in *The Murder Room*, takes a call from her dead father while her fiancee, played by Evan Thayer, looks on.



Brandon Zeri enjoys Mr. Clever's music class.

Kim Durben enjoys the opportunity to express herself through her studio art. She chose to focus on horses because they are her favorite animal.

Jessica Stone

# Foreign Language & English

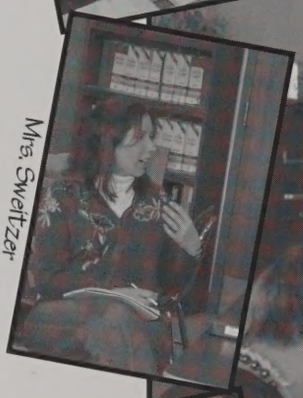
## Teachers' Lasting Impressions

Staff Writer: Bobby Bonser

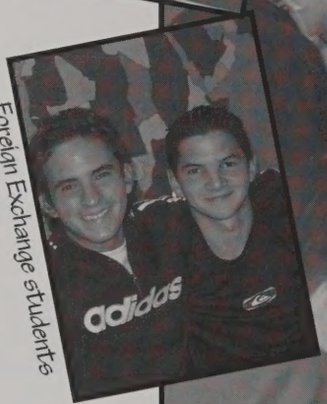
Maliciah McPhail

There were many significant events that took place in the English and foreign language classrooms this year. Foreign exchange students from Spain came to visit our school. The German class took a trip to the Holocaust Museum in Washington D.C. But the event with the greatest impact on the students was the retirement of Mrs. Joan Lambert. Many students will remember her not only for her great teaching abilities but also for her wonderful life stories. Daniel Fredrick recalls, "No matter what happened, Mrs. Lambert was always smiling." Both the memories of past teachers and the influence of present ones are making lasting impressions on the students at Southern High.

Mr. Leitzel



Mrs. Sweitzer



Foreign Exchange students

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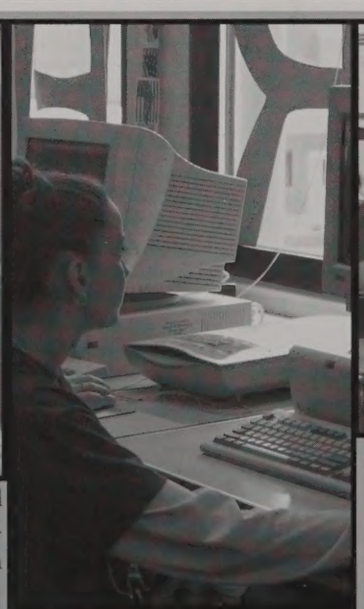
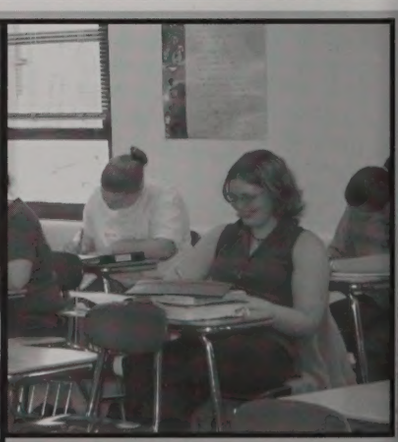
The members of Mrs. Garris' class always enjoy themselves. They keep busy with many class projects and activities.

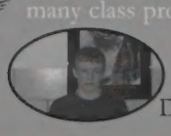
It's a match! Cody Brack and Joey Simson match their German words in the word game in Mrs. Doyle's class.



Danielle Hickman works on the *Acorn*. As editor of the school newspaper, she is responsible for the publication's production.



Lauren Jolles is enjoying her reading in Ms. Spiker's English class. Lauren thinks that Mrs. Spiker is "very creative and does lots of things that a normal English teacher wouldn't do."



David Ratliff

Logan Osekowski

Carol James

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Andrew Goad

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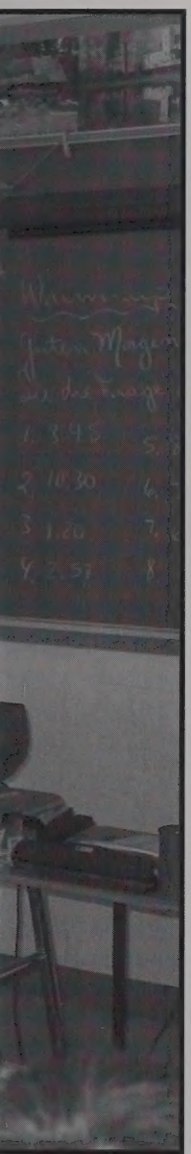
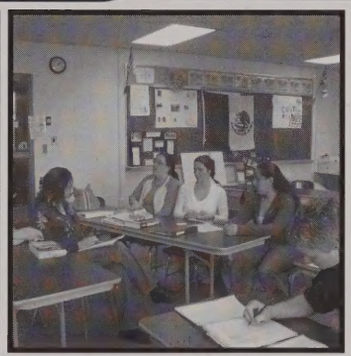


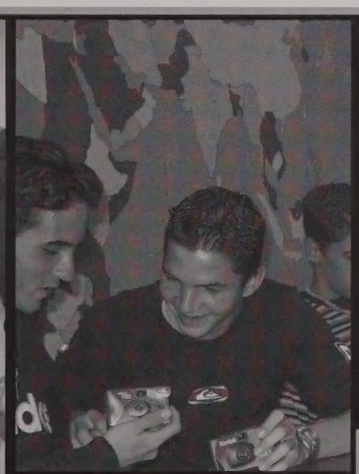
## VITAL INFO

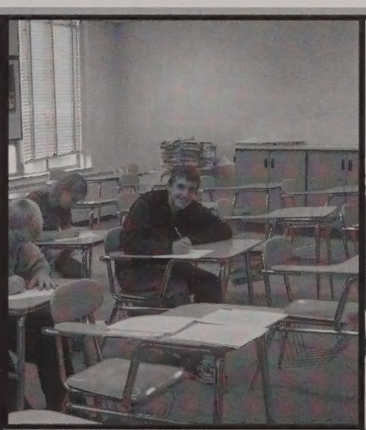
- Mrs. Lambert taught at Southern for 34 1/2 years.
- Besides German, she taught Creative Writing and English. She also was the advisor of *The Acorn* for ten years.
- Her favorite part of being a teacher was, "all of the funny, unexpected things that happened."
- She was the chairperson of the English department from 1976-1990.
- Mrs. Lambert's Words of Wisdom: "Work hard. Have fun. Help each other. Be kind. Always show respect. Make this a better world."

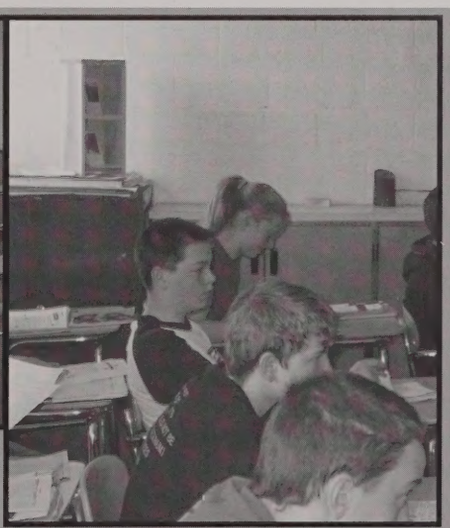


- Jessie Railey, Kathy Pritts, and Sara DiSimone listen to Mrs. Sweitzer as she gives them tips on Spanish.
- Mrs. Savage talks with Mr. Paul Shogren. Mrs. Savage was the advisor for *The Acorn* this year, and Mr. Shogren spearheaded the oral history projects for the community.

Shar Hollingsworth and Becca Flanagan plan out what to put on their yearbook page. As photographer for the yearbook, Shar is very influential in the production process.

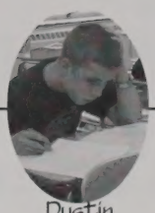

The foreign exchange students from Spain are having a great time learning the American ways.


Maliciah McPhail works on his test in Mr. Pratt's class. Maliciah says that he enjoys listening to Mr. Pratt speak in class.


Cody Brack pays close attention to Mrs. Doyle in class. He claims, "It's fun to learn a new language because you can trick your parents."

Cassie Skidmore

Mrs. Kim Lambert


Dustin Smith

Natasha Tasker

Amanda Beeman

Joanne Buckle

Erin Rhodes

Keisha Glotfelty

Evan Thayer

Stephanie Keenan

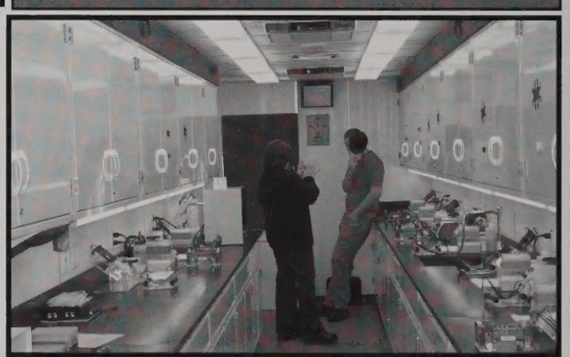
## VITAL INFO

- Bobby Bonser will remember all the test tubes his chemistry class broke in Mrs. Steyer's room.
- Biology students visited the Baltimore Aquarium in the spring. Ivan Stutzman liked the dolphin show the best.
- Ian Wooden confesses, "I like biology because I like to go to the lab and work on experiments."
- Lacey Liller says, "I like Earth Science because my teacher, Mr. Bowman, is really nice and he makes learning fun."
- Ashley Baker states, "I like biology because Mrs. Marks is nice."

•A representative from the fish hatchery discusses the fish rearing process with biology students at the Bear Creek fish hatchery.

•Envirothon participants: Front row: Corey Lewis; Second row: Greg Beckman, Pat DiGioia, JoAnne Buckle, and Andrew Goad; Back row: Tori Insley, Emily Thomas, and Stephanie Keenan.

•One of the BioLab instructors explains the process of gel electrophoreses while Michael Kave dodges the camera.



Amy Upole, Jelissa Jones, and Ashley Baker work hard in Mrs. Marks' biology class.

Students set the correct volume on the micropipette prior to conducting a DNA extraction lab. J.D. Simpson complains, "DNA smells funny."

Working with a hatchery employee, Greg Beckman, Andrew Goad, Pat DiGioia, and Corey Lewis identify fish.

Charise Tasker's favorite part of chemistry is the glasses. Stunning, Charise!

Rachel Vance

Angela Cogley

# In the Field

## Exploring Math and Science

**Mr. David Mayfield, math and science teacher for 32 years, retires this year. Hailed at graduation by Mr. Woods as an "icon of education," Mr. Mayfield received a standing ovation from the staff, parents and graduating class. We will miss you, Mr. Mayfield!**

Throughout the year, students participate it a wide variety of math and science events. Mrs. Jamison's class went to the BioLab and learned how to test plant growth. "It is a lot of fun to go to the biology lab," states Matt Rounds. Sophomore Jelissa Jones stated, "I love biology because Mrs. Marks teaches us a lot and she likes to let us do labs."

SHS teachers use various approaches to learning to challenge their students. Mr. Mayfield's physics class competes in a projectile competition, and Mr. Beeman and Mrs. Jamison take a select group of their students to the envirothon. Some of Mr. Krupa's students participated in the math college competition. Freshman Miranda Fultz states, "I like Mr. Groves math class, because I like to use the accelerated math program. You get to learn without a teacher lecturing."

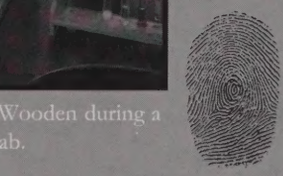
Biology students from Mrs. Marks' class mix colored liquids in pipettes in the BioLab. Creating rainbow colors was a simple exercise to teach the students how to use the lab's equipment.

Mr. Beeman helps Pat DiGioia, Corey Lewis, and Andrew Goad identify macroinvertebraes.

Hannah Stahl experiments with chemicals in a test tube in Mrs. Steyer's class. The compound Hannah made hardened like concrete.

David Ratliff entertains Ian Wooden during a DNA extraction in the BioLab.

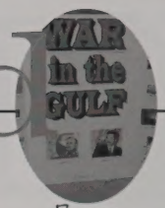




Amanda Bowers

# Exploring Our World: Social Studies

Staff Writer: Ivan Stutzman

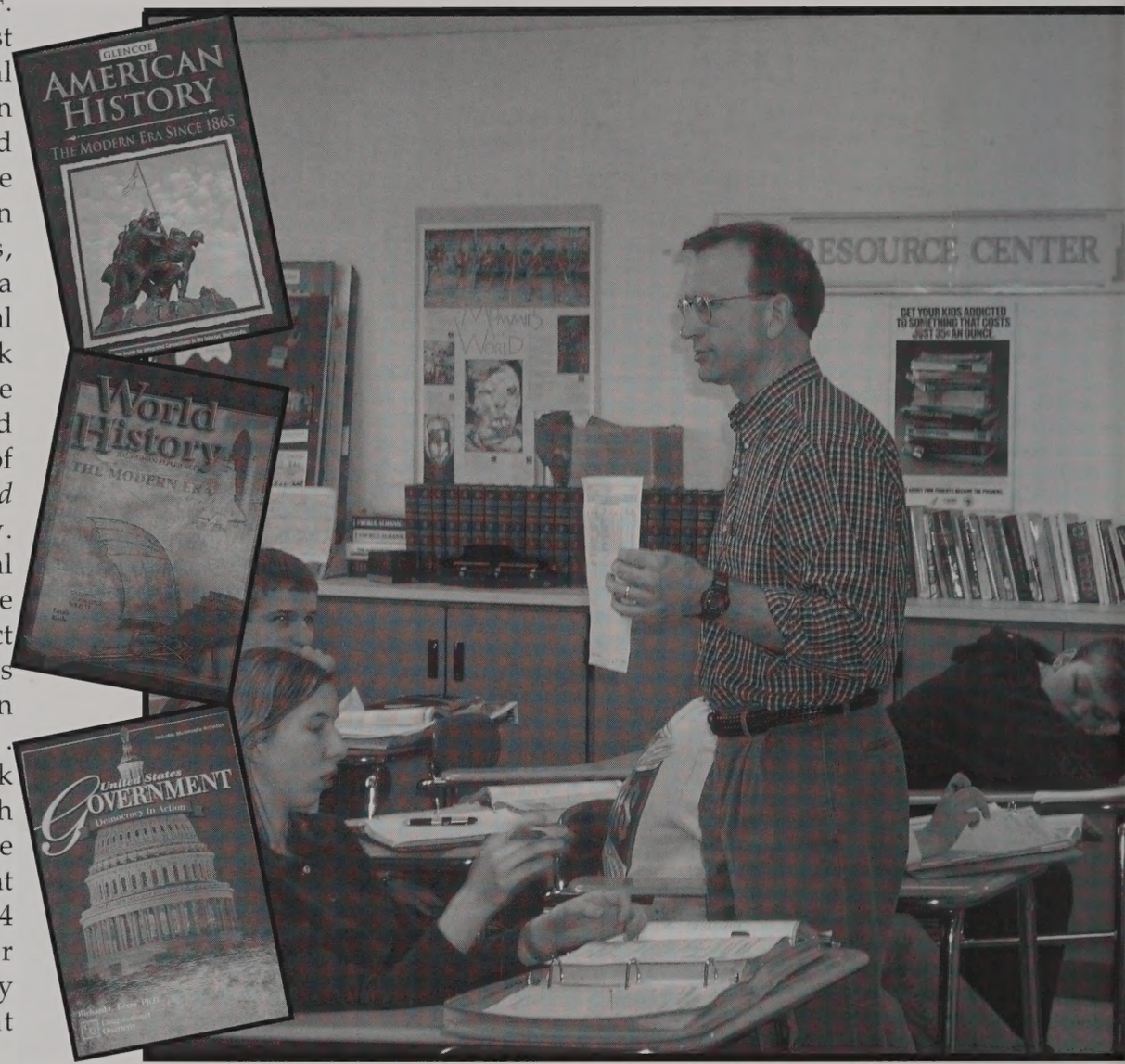


Bryce Glotfelty

From Confucius to John F. Kennedy and the Middle East to the United States, Social Studies students at Southern learn about, individuals and countries that have shaped the history of the world. In addition to textbooks and lectures, students also take part in a variety of projects. The National History Day competition took place at Frostburg State University. Students produced projects relating to the theme of *Exploration, Encounters, and Exchange* in History.

The Korean War Oral History project continued. The expected outcome of the project is a book of veterans' stories which are retold by Southern students.

Model United Nations took place again this year with individuals representing the ideas and beliefs of different UN countries. The 2003-2004 school year was another successful one for both history students and teachers at Southern.

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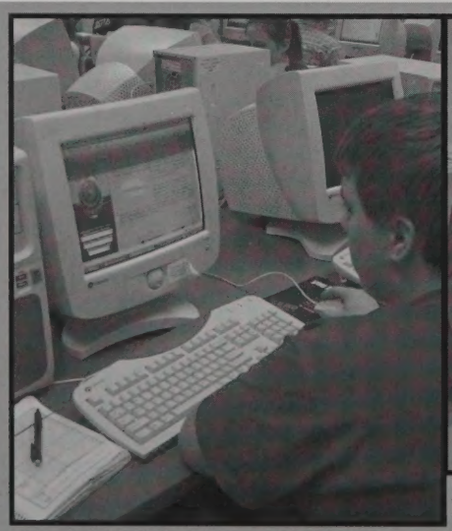
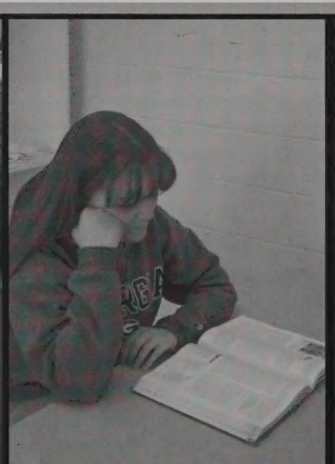
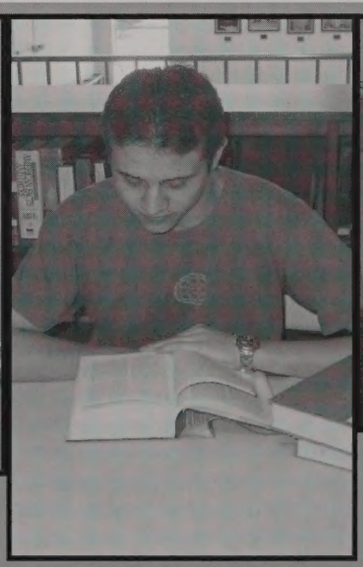

Drew Taylor is hard at work in the library finding information for his World History project.


Autumn Alexander studies hard before her big World History test. She likes Social Studies because "Mrs. Tasker makes it fun."


Bryan Crosco likes Social Studies "It's cool to learn about history because I like to learn about past and present events."

While finding her favorite place in the United States, Sara Disimone grumbles, "I dislike Social Studies because there is too much to understand."

Jeffery Gregory

Ashley Tuck
Melissa Rohrbaugh

The Watergate Years

Craig Conroy

African Teachers Visit

Mr. Shogran Oral History

Michael Shaffer

Andrew Kight

U.S. Budget Project

Daniel Frederick

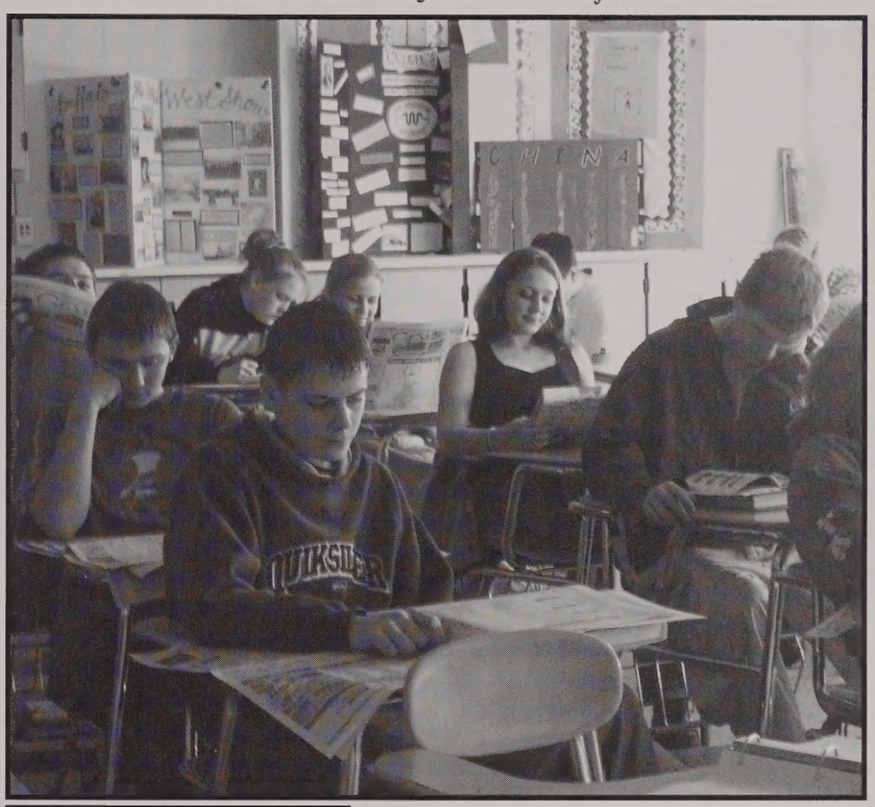
# VITAL OPINIONS

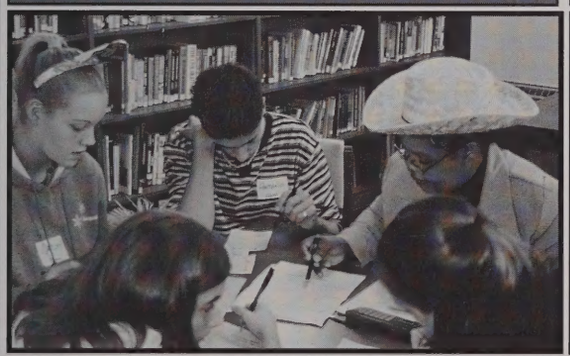
• "My favorite thing about social studies is all of the stories that Mr. Biggs tells us during class."
- Brian Georg

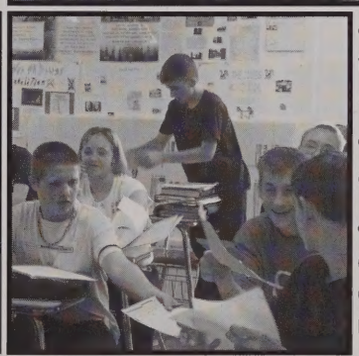
• "I think Social Studies is an interesting subject, but I suck at it."
- Kailee Craig

• "I liked spelling the words with Mr. Bender and the visits from Mel Smith."
- Rachel McCaskey

• "Social Studies is great because you learn about your past and it gives you pride for your country."
- Stephanie Brenneman





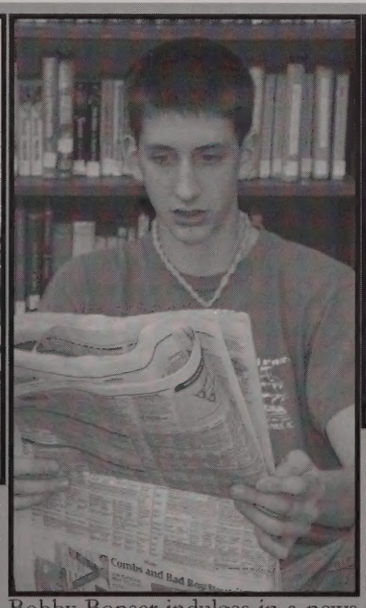


•Dustin Lewis and his classmates get up-to-date on current events through the daily newspaper.

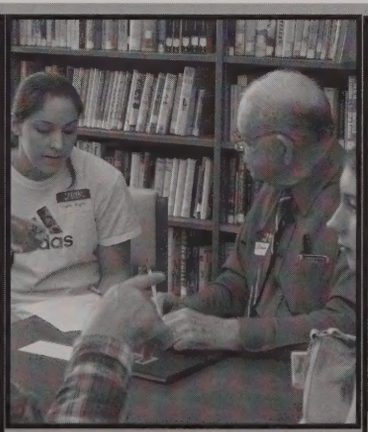
• Mr. Biggs' students turn in their homework assignments to begin class.

• Teachers from Africa came to visit Southern to see the way our school worked. One of their visits included a Student Council meeting.

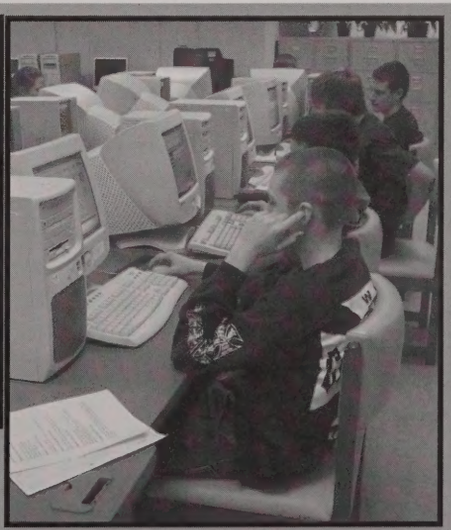
Mrs. Watson's students try to recall information from their books as they take a chapter test.



Bobby Bonser indulges in a newspaper in the library. "I enjoy keeping up on current events because today's events will become history."



Students continued the Korean War oral history project this year. They began the process by meeting with their veterans and getting to know their stories.



Spencer Barnard is very interested in his research. Mrs. Tasker's students had to complete a research project which included several trips to the library.

Natalie Mayle

Pec-Deck

Neck Machine

Bench Press

Leg Curls

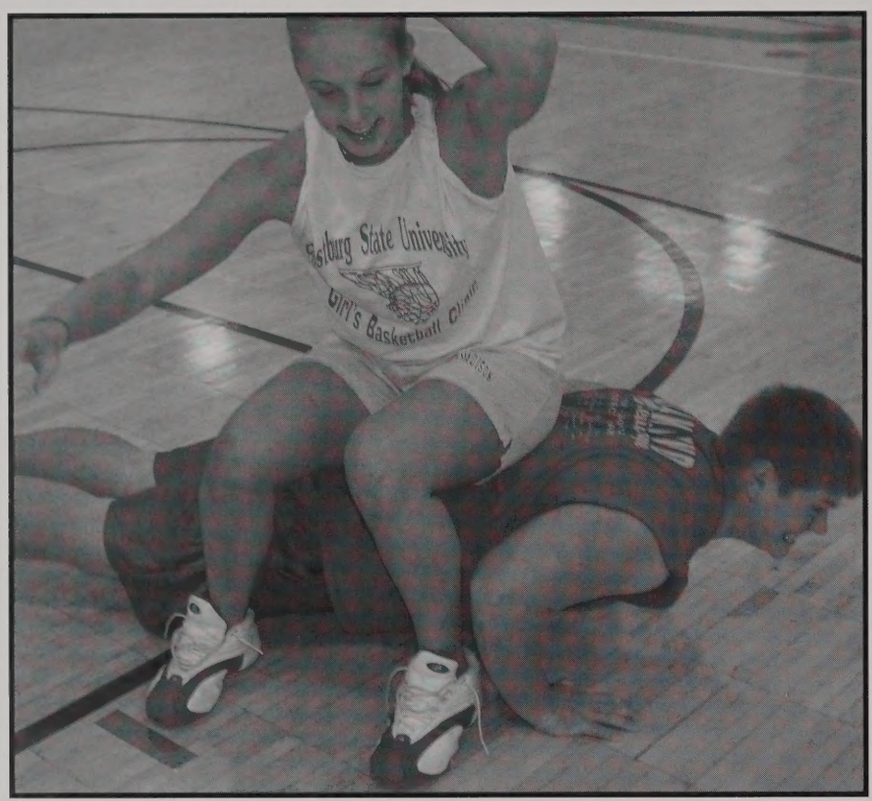
Tricep Extensions

Jammer

Arm Curls

Leg Extensions

Upright Rows

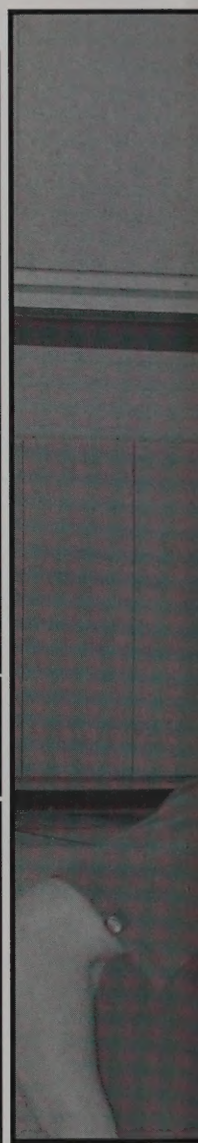


VITAL INFO

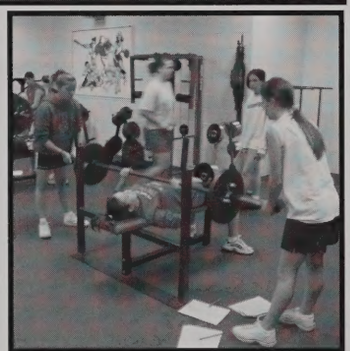
• Mrs. Gangler believes that the school "should increase the number of required gym credits" to help students get healthier and in better shape.

• Mrs. Gangler also enjoys teaching weight training more than the general gym classes.

• Many students have differing opinions of which sports they enjoy the most. Of the three sports in gym, Bobby Bonser enjoys playing basketball the most. However, Mike Murphy has a different opinion of the sport: "I didn't like basketball at all because my team always loses!"



• Becca Flanagan takes five while Billy Reams finishes up his pushups.



• During weight training, when one student is lifting, the rest of their group is responsible for spotting her.

• In basketball, one team always has to sit out until more games open up.

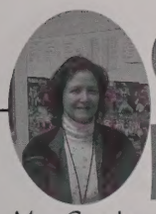
Four days a week, weight training classes lift weights. They complete arm and leg exercises on alternating days.

For basketball, students compete in teams of three.

Every day at the beginning of class, students perform exercises and stretch.

Andrew Van Bogelen dribbles the ball and gets ready to shoot.

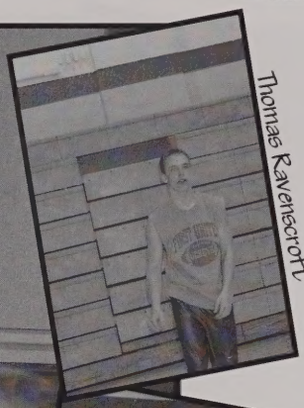
Tyler Cottrell



Mrs. Gangler

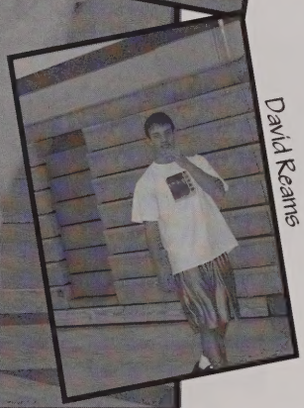
# Shaping Our Future

Staff Writer: David Cuddington



Thomas Ravenscroft

Roxann Hoalcraft

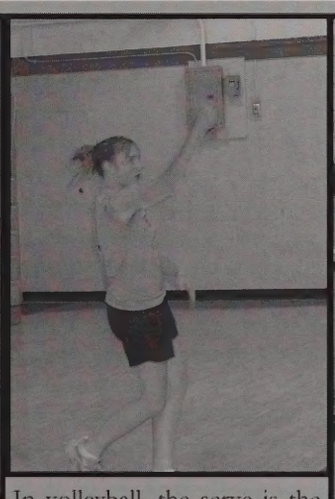


David Reams

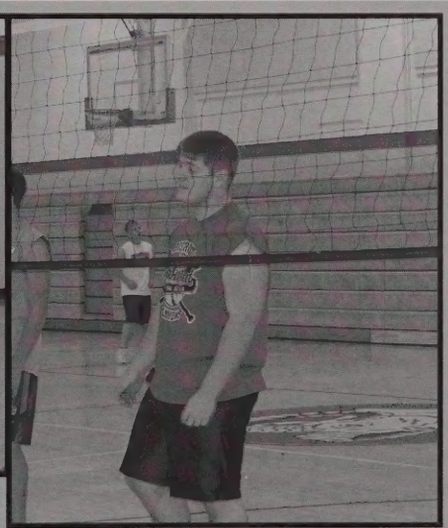
All freshmen are required to take gym, in which they rotate between playing basketball, baseball, and volleyball. In addition, every week, they take notes in Health. To those who have passed gym, weight training is also offered. During class, students lift weights four days a week. On Wednesdays, all of the classes combine to play basketball, volleyball, or baseball. But weight training isn't all about being buff. Students are required to use their brains while taking notes on physiology twice a week. Mrs. Gangler believes that what the students learn is just as important as the time spent working out. Whether the students take these classes as a requirement, to have fun, or to get in shape, everyone has a great time!

Karl Hillen, Mandi Stahl, and Laryn Hanline wait for their chance to play basketball.

Coach Gregg instructs his class concerning their assignment for the day.

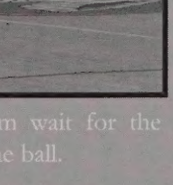


In volleyball, the serve is the most important part of the game.



Billy Reams and his team wait for the opposing team to serve the ball.

gym & weight training



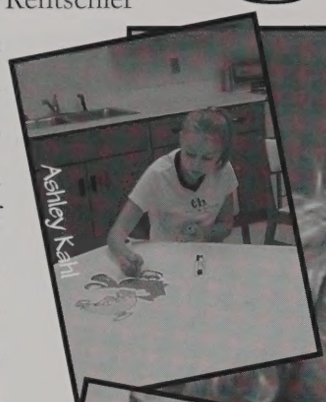
Heather Ashby

# Tots & Toys
# Learning Child Care

Lisa Bernard

Staff Writer: Jennifer Rentschler

To complete the Child Care and Guidance Services pathway, a student must take two periods of Child Care I as a junior and two periods of Child Care II as a senior. As a part of these classes, students are given the opportunity to work with children in the community. For a total of 48 hours, students leave the classroom and visit day care institutes. At the different sites, they get to work and play with children ranging from infants to elementary age. Lisa Bernard was awarded the Pat Powers Memorial Scholarship at the senior awards ceremony, being the most outstanding of this year's child care completers. After completing this program, most of the students look forward to a rewarding career in child development.

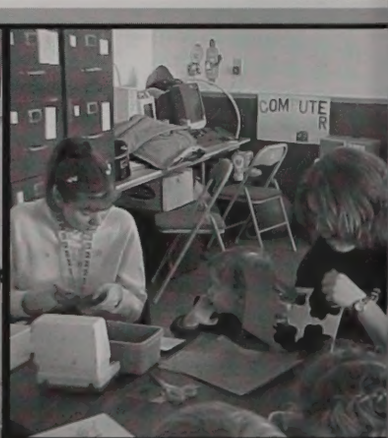

Ashley Kelly

April Lewis

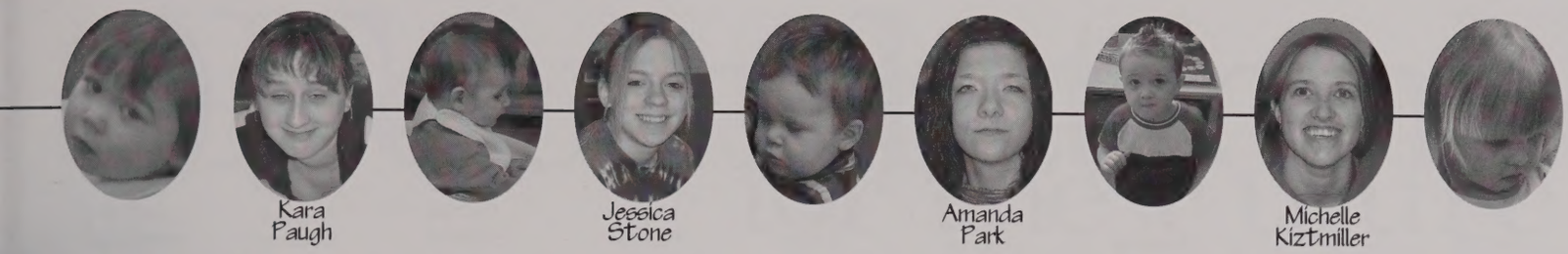
Brandy Hinebaugh is in her second year child care class, and stated that she "loves being around the children and getting the experience that the class has to offer."

First year child care students try on the "empathy belly," which simulates the physical strain of being pregnant.

Susan Broadwater and Sarah Moore teach children the importance of washing their hands before lunch.



Lisa Bernard and Tasha Cogley are help children with a craft project. Lisa Bernard stated that the Child Care program will definitely help her find a summer job.



Kara Paugh

Jessica Stone

Amanda Park

Michelle Kiztmiller

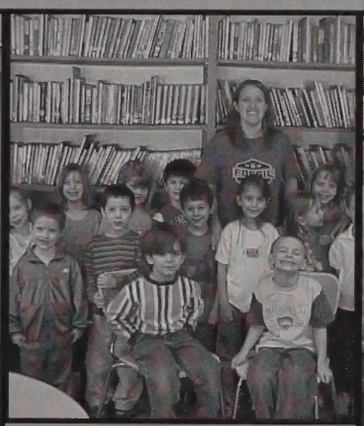
## VITAL INFO

- The classroom work consists of projects such as "Making Your Own Day Care."
- "Making Your Own Day Care" is the largest project that the students work on as part of their final.
- Out-of-classroom work consists of visiting day cares around the community.
- Each student must participate in 48 hours out-of-classroom work at local day cares.
- There are four different sites that the students visit: infant and toddler, pre-school, headstart, and elementary school.

- Samantha Cavalier is helping out with the children at the Renaissance Learning Center.
- Susan Broadwater is patiently waiting with the children from the Overlook Day Care Center for lunch to be served.
- This little guy enjoys the extra attention from the girls involved in child care.

Kara Paugh plays "post office" with the kids from the Center Street Headstart.

Samantha Cavalier says that the Child Care program at Southern has prepared her well for her future career in child development.



Michelle Kitzmiller helps children pick out books for their reading class in the library at Dennett Road Elementary.

Cheri Dever plays Uno with a few of the kids at Dennett Road Elementary.

Joanne Buckle

Derek Rhodes

Chas French

JB Ragione

Jeffrey Gregory

Joseph Tasker

Jared Feather

Patrick Shiflett

Michael Bowman

Anthony Filsinger

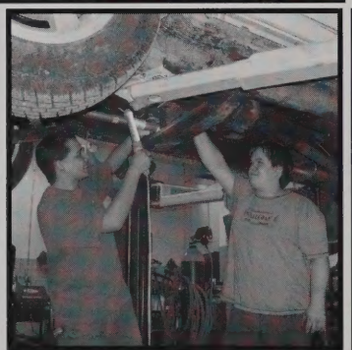
## VITAL INFO

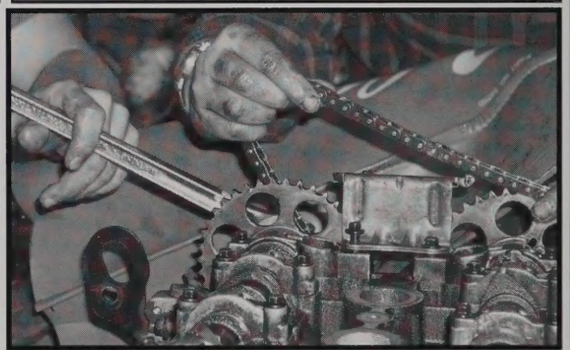
- "Welding class is preparing me for my future in many ways. Most parts of the class is easy, but it has its hard parts too."
  -Andy Uphold
- "Working at the house in carpentry class was the most fun. I'm glad I am a senior but I will miss Mr. Bowser's class.
  -Joey Schmidt
- "Welding class is fun, but it's like working with a mad scientist."
  -Michael Bowman
- "I learned a lot in auto mechanics and had a lot of fun with Mr. Powers."
  -John Parker
- "I love having this class four and a half hours out of the day and no homework. I will miss the daily Ford, Chevy, and Dodge fights."
  -David Taylor

- Bryan Ridder and JB Ragione enjoy working together in auto mechanics class.

- Patrick Shiflett and Carl Clemons feel that changing oil in a vehicle is one of the easiest jobs in auto mechanics class.

- Students in Mr. Powers' auto mechanics class put a timing chain back on a car.





Brandon Carr and his buddies work hard in Mr. Bowser's carpentry class.

Larry Shue and his classmates have important measuring assignments they have to do every other week in welding class.

Jared Feather and Jordan Hershman are cutting out templates for prom decorations on the scroll saw.

JJ Knox works hard sanding his assignment in carpentry class. He says he has learned a lot from this class that will help prepare him for the future.

Crystal Wolfe

William Whitacre

# Foundations for the Future

Staff Writer: Stephanie DiSimone

Bryan Ridder and Matt Rohrbaugh



Aaron Helms



Josh Harris

The industrial arts classes eastablish a foundation for their futures of participating students. In carpentry students learn the creation of new structures and the repair or modification of existing structures. Mr. Bowser stated,"My students have earning potential for future employment, but it is hard to get them to take advantages of their oppotunities while they're in carpentry class."

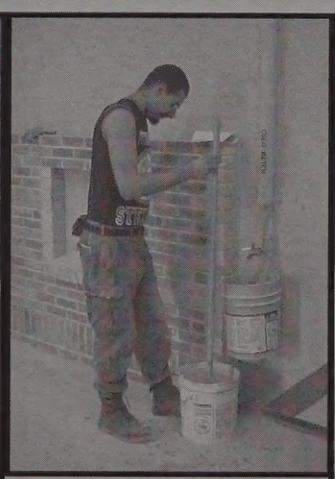
Masonry class teaches students to use specialized equipment and tools to mix mortar, bond materials together and form patterns, and lay out and construct masonry walls and other important features of buildings. Mr. Bach commented, "This has been a growing year for both myself and my students in masonry."

Mr. Powers stated, "We had a lot of fun this year in auto mechanics. Most of the students in the auto mechanics program have been in have here for three years and are just now starting to buckle down and take the work seriously, and before I know it they are leaving and I have to start all over."

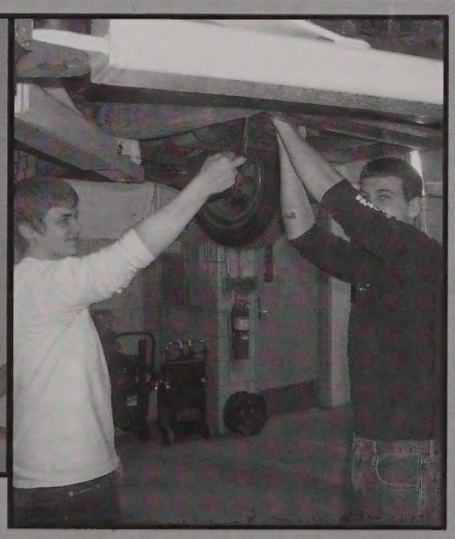
Welding class provides students with all of the classified welding processes. Mr. Liller's objective for welding class is, "Train each student in metal trades to a job entry level of competency."

Jeffrey Gregory is hard at work filing a piece of cold roll steel in welding class. He says that working with all of his friends in the class makes it more fun.

David Taylor and Joey Schmidt have fun making pilliars for prom in carpentry class.



Tommy Schrock says cleaning all of the masonry tools is not a fun job, but he says that masonry is one of his favorite classes.



John Parker and Ben Uphold change a fuel filter.

Amanda Holstine

# Technology

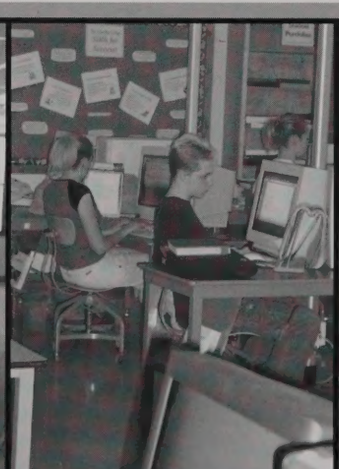
## Learning the Ropes

Katie Nichols

Staff Writer: Lori Fox

Technology is changing all the time, and Southern High School boasts one of the best technology programs around. Curt Taylor attributes much of the success of the program to his teacher: "Mr. Cosner is a great teacher and made the learning experience more fun." Ron Coleman is one of many high school students who is not only interested in programming computers, but also in the wider field of technology. Brandon Proudfoot is excited about pursuing his love of technology at the college level: "This field will bring me a lot of money and a great career," raves Brandon. Southern students can be assured that the foundation of learning formed through the technology programs at Southern will serve them well in years to come.

Ron Coleman says, "Working with computers gives me a better understanding of the ins and outs of technology."



Rachel Vance shares, "Mrs. Wilson's class is great because she makes it a lot of fun."

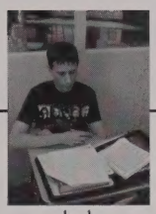
Billy Reams takes apart a computer tower and operates on the mother board.

Emma Ringer enjoys working with the Excel program.

Jessica Reams

Jimmy Hinebaugh

Justin Stemple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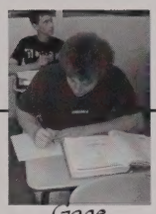
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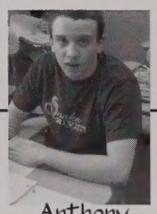
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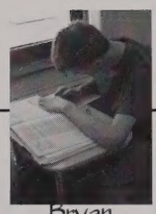
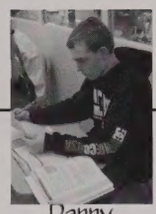

Bryan Teeter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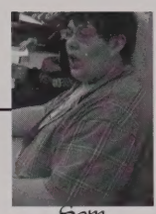
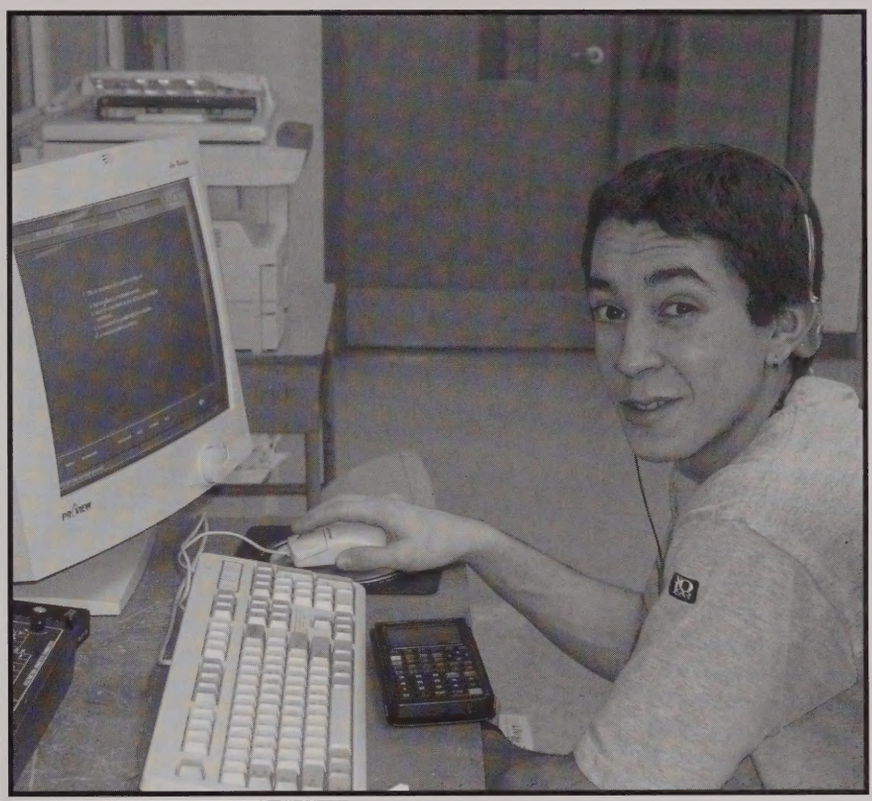
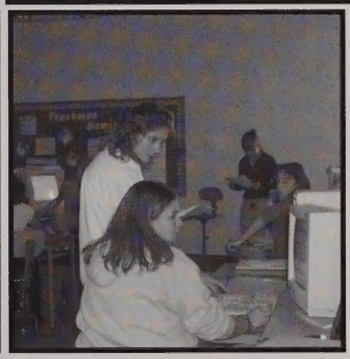

Sam Lauver

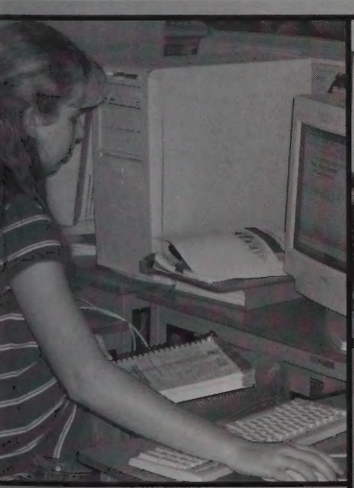
- Students in the I-Tec program work on computers throughout the school.
- The I-Tec program is a valuable pursuit if you are planning a career in computers.
- It costs $600 to take the I-Tec class while in high school. The same class for a high school graduate is $1500.
- Southern High School has the most advanced technological equipment in the Garrett County School system.

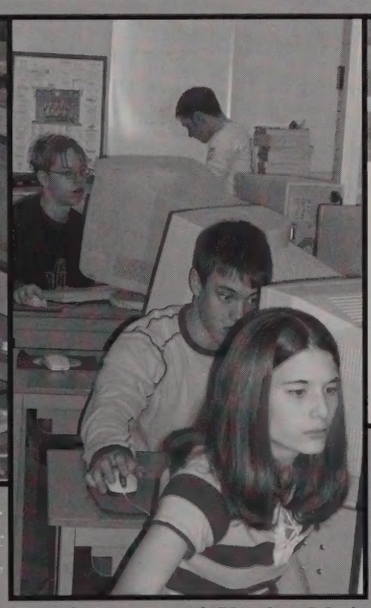
VITAL INFO

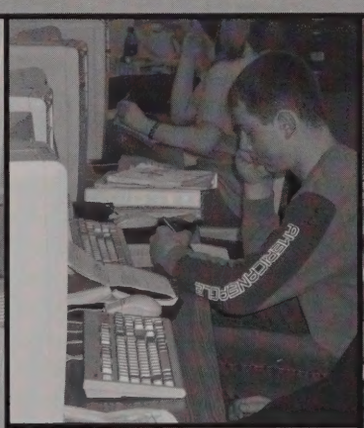


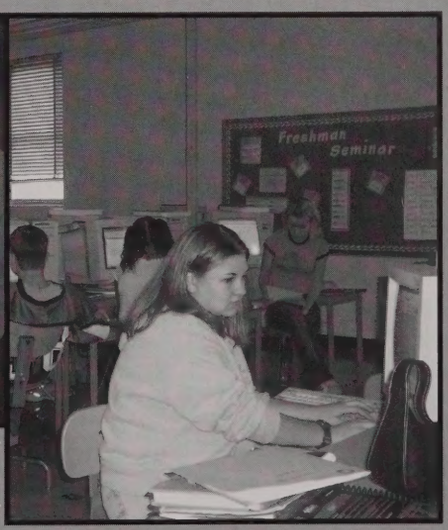


- I-Tec student Keenan Shaffer says, "I love computers and think Southern has a great computer program."
- Mrs. Walker works hard to help her students grasp the principles of technology.
- Brandon Proudfoot and Nikki Raynovich work in the marketing programs provided at SHS.


Sarah Rexroad claims that Mrs. Walker's class has prepared her for more advanced technology classes next year.

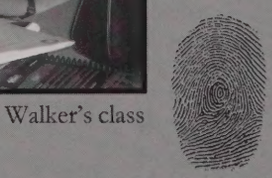

David Reams and Katelyn Mark are hard at work in Mrs. Walker's class. David said that he has learned a lot from this class.


Brett Dugan said, "This computer class is the best. You get to be on the internet even while doing your work."



Kim Durban is busy in Mrs. Walker's class typing up an assignment.





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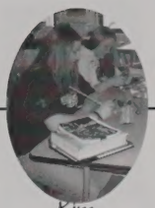
Kim Durben

Girls Fit For Life

Spirit Club

Spanish Miniperiod

Matt Skidmore

Fit For Life

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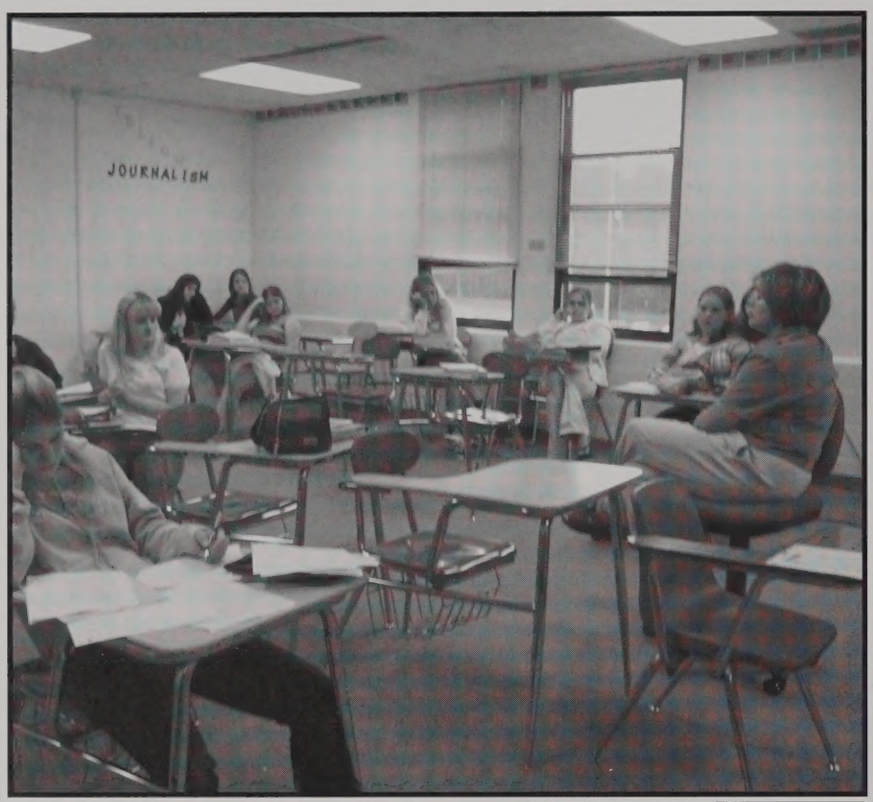
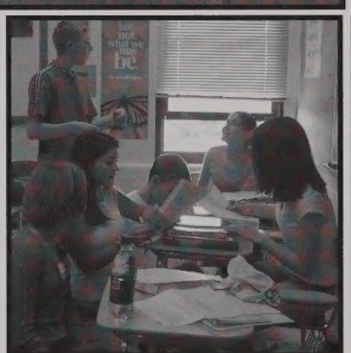
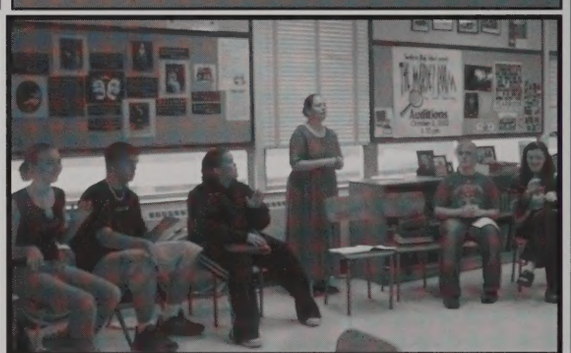



## VITAL INFO

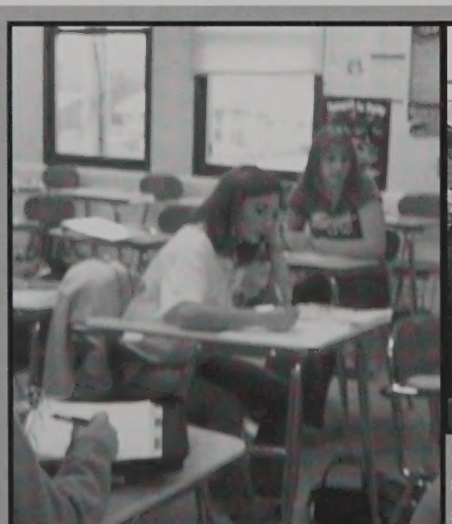
- Miniperiod was initiated this year as a remediation time for those students needing help to pass the high school assessment tests.
- Freshman seminar takes place during the fifth period and is intended to help freshmen succeed in high school.
- Miniperiod gives previously existing clubs the opportunity to meet during school, as well as allowing new clubs to be developed.
- Getting students more involved was a goal achieved by the new miniperiod.
- The opportunity for studying during school was beneficial, with study halls and tutoring available in every core subject.

- Girls Fit for Life meets during miniperiod under the direction of Mrs. Watson. The girls walk around the school and learn to make healthy choices in life.
- Getting a head start on funds for prom, the sophomore class leaders discuss a fundraiser.
- Mrs. White explains a new word to her sign language miniperiod.

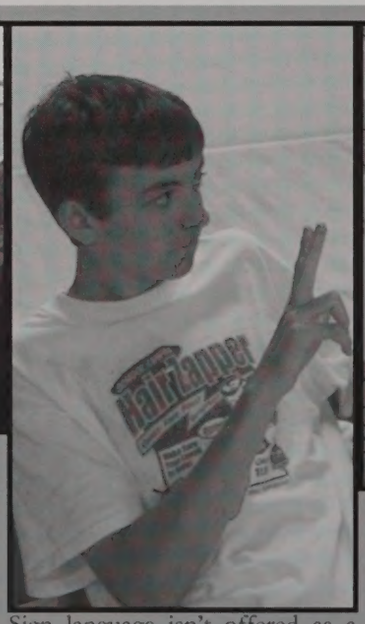







Finishing her homework during softball miniperiod allows Katelyn Mark to focus on practice or a game in the evening.

Miniperiod gives Spanish students a break from the stress of the day as they play a game in Mrs. Sweitzer's classroom.


Sign language isn't offered as a foreign language like at some schools, but Drew Betz enjoys it as a miniperiod.

Sports Marketing meets with Mr. Redinger during miniperiod. Their goal is to better advertise and increase attendance at Southern's sporting events.

Jelissa Jones

Natalie Vanderbilt

# Mini Period

## Making a *Big* Impression

Staff Writer: Holly Sauder

Mendy Tichinel



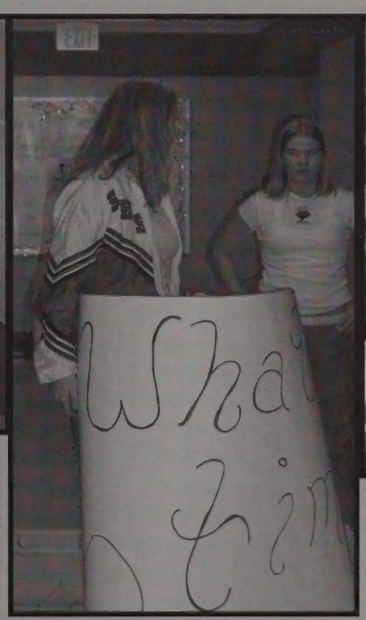
Melody Friend



David Cuddington

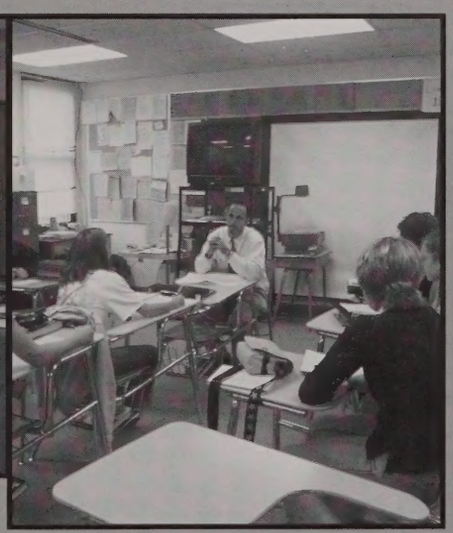
Spirit Club, VICA, FFA, Christian Club, peer counseling: the options for mini period are almost limitless. Upperclassmen who don't need remediation enjoy an activity or study hall during the fifth period. Karl Hillen participates in Spirit Club, and he commented, "I like miniperiod because I don't get a grade in it, and it can't hurt my GPA." Vanessa Logan thinks "mini period should be longer" because she likes it, and she gets help with her calculus homework. "It's boring, but it helps. You can get all your homework done," Jeremy Gregory replied about the athletic study hall. Overall, miniperiod is making a big impression on the school. The possibility of extending the number of days a week it's included in the schedule has been discussed. Miniperiod increases students' involvement in school activities and helps make high school a better experience.

Cheering isn't the only way Amelia Ratliff supports Southern's athletes. She also participates in the Spirit Club miniperiod.



Krissy Ashby and Ashley Biser debate what sign to make next for Spirit Club.

Planning for Prom, Mrs. Tasker, Billy Georg, Daniel Frederick, and Lauren Thompson look through magazines in search of the perfect decorations and accessories.



The softball team has the opportunity to meet during school which allows them to discuss fundraisers and plan for their upcoming games.

Jeremy Sines

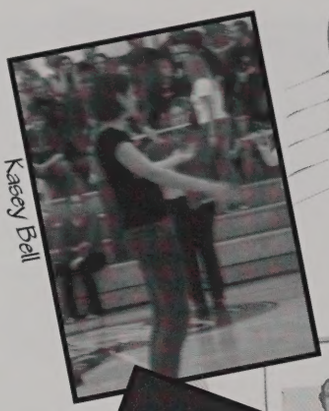
# Marching to the Beat

Staff Writer: Brandi Gouran

Grace Lauver

Mr. Richard Clever has been directing the band ever since Southern High first opened. The members of the band participate in tournaments all around the area. They have even played in the Macy's Day Parade and went to Orlando, Florida. Several times, Southern has taken first place for its marching and concert bands.

Southern's chorus has also been a great success, thanks to Mr. Clever's motivation. The chorus performs in a fall concert, and some of its members participate in the Honor Chorus Concert, which combines talent from both ends of the county.



Kasey Bell

Jeremy Sines

Billy Georg, Lori Diehmon, Tammy Hall, Tim Hall, Jeramie Hamilton, Chad Bean, and Michael Nelson

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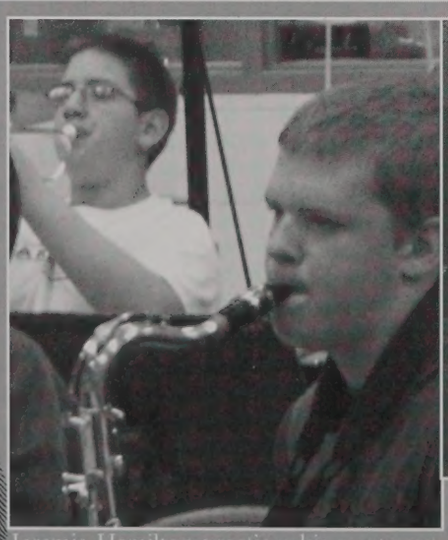


Jeremie Hamilton practices his sax to get ready for the upcoming concerts.

The concert and marching band are very dedicated to their work. They meet after school and go through a vigorous band camp during the summer.

Michael Nelson and Andrew Murray prepare for their part in the concert.

Kenny Noland was nominated by the band class as one of the most dedicated band members in the group. He has been in the band for four years as well as in the Honor Band. Congrats, Kenny!

Gregory Beckman

Spring Concert

Daniel Skipper & Adam Sincell

Concert Band

Emily Thomas & Carol James

2nd Place Band Trophy

Dan Frederick

Lauren Thompson

Richard Clever

1st Place Trophy

• "Chorus is a good way to take a break from normal classes like math and English, plus it's kinda fun."
-Stasha Blum

• "Marching Band is a really fun way to spend your time."
-Rachale French

• "Marching Band is a lot of fun. It may be hard learning basics and drills, and band camp isn't the greatest, but it's all worth it when you go on the field to perform. That's probably the best feeling other then coming in first."
-Tori Insley

# SWING with the rhythm

• The members of the marching band commit their time for the entire season and dedicate as much time as any sports athlete.

• During class, Mr. Clever advises the students on the finer points of playing difficult rhythms.

• Before a concert, drummers Clinton Kitzmiller, Chris Tepper, Jamie Peterson, and Jeremy Sines get together for a last-minute rehearsal.

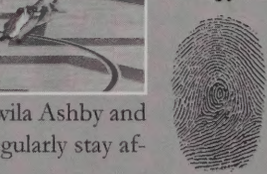
After practicing for so long, it finally pays off. The band sets the tone for all school assemblies.

Samantha Sisler recalls, "Some of my first friends in high school were the band members I went to band camp with my freshman year."

At the spring concert, the band played several selections including some of the top hits from the past as well as some modern hits. They are already working of their *Pirates of the Caribbean* show for next year.

The color guard is led by Twila Ashby and Stephanie Keenen.. They regularly stay after school to practice.





Tiffany Thomas

Allen Brady
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Kalie Hostutler
Smiley's

Allie Richter
Brenda's

Grant McDonald
High Mnt. Sports

Kelly Taylor
Smiley's

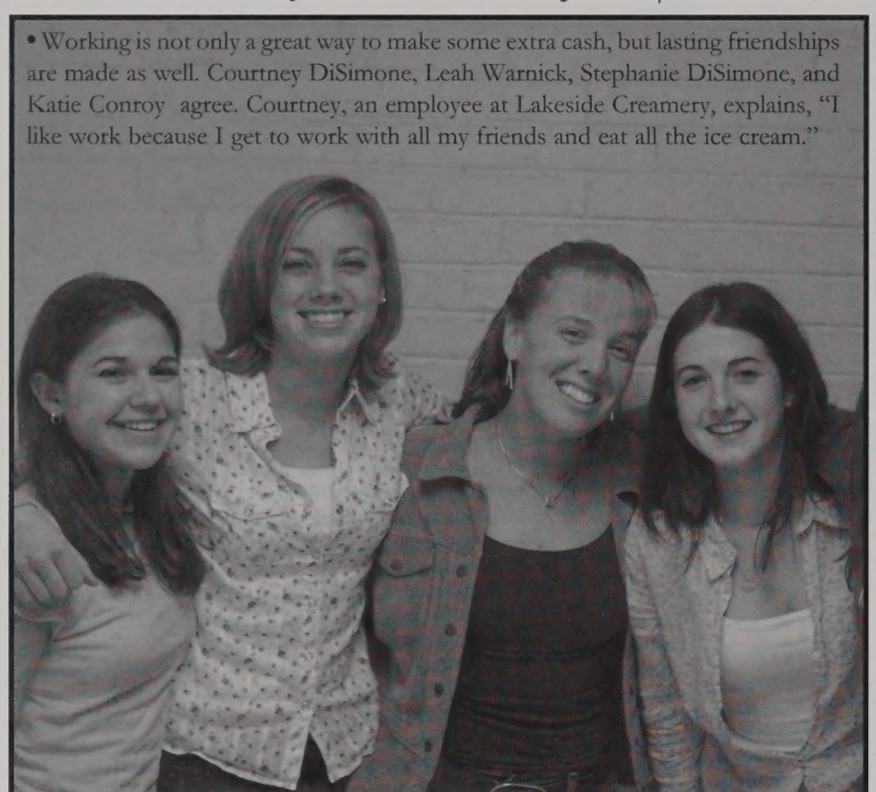
Corey Bosley
Unemployed

Ashley Stuck
Creamery

Travis Sines
Dominique Signs

Zach Uphold
Wisp

• Working is not only a great way to make some extra cash, but lasting friendships are made as well. Courtney DiSimone, Leah Warnick, Stephanie DiSimone, and Katie Conroy agree. Courtney, an employee at Lakeside Creamery, explains, "I like work because I get to work with all my friends and eat all the ice cream."



# MAKIN' Money

• "Because I'm involved in sports, my parents don't make me have a job. They pay for everything to try and keep me involved," stated Cory Bosley.

• Jason Fike doesn't have a job. "I watch T.V. at night," he admitted.

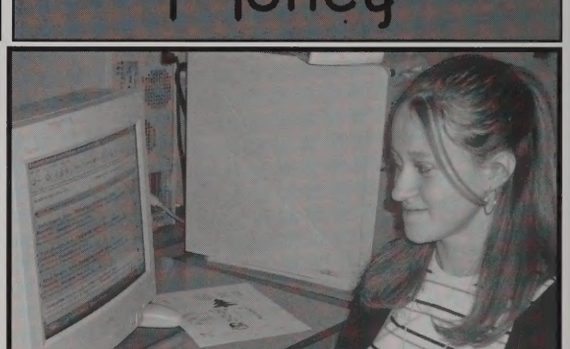
• "I don't have a job because I'm too lazy and just steal money from my parents," Corey Lewis honestly declared.

• "I enjoy working at Proudfoot's because I get to read all the magazines for free and I get to eat lots of candy too," Eileen Mouyard claimed.

• "It's good to work to make money and to stay out of trouble," Brett Dugan stated.

• Not every aspect of having a job is enjoyable. Jadyn Swerbinsky complains,"Busing tables sucks, but my co-workers are really nice."

•Sheena Collins works at T-DEC simply because "it is fun and easy."



Keisha Glotfelty likes working at Browning's Foodland because "a lot of my friends work here."

Is having a job all work and no play? Nikki Ravnovich raves, "I love my job. Who else has a job where you can sit on a dock and get a tan all day while driving boats and meeting guys? Pumping gas is the coolest job ever."

Allison Richter teaches dance at Brenda's Body Shop. Allie states, "It's hardworking with little kids but the dancing is worth it."

Browning's Foodland is a popular place to work for many students because of its convenient location. Many employess can simply walk over after school. Here Tommy Dunbar is hard at work bagging groceries.

Jessica Welch

Paul Lapp
McDonald's

# Taking Care of Business

Staff Writer: Shar Hollingsworth

Jessica Crosco



Brandi Arnett



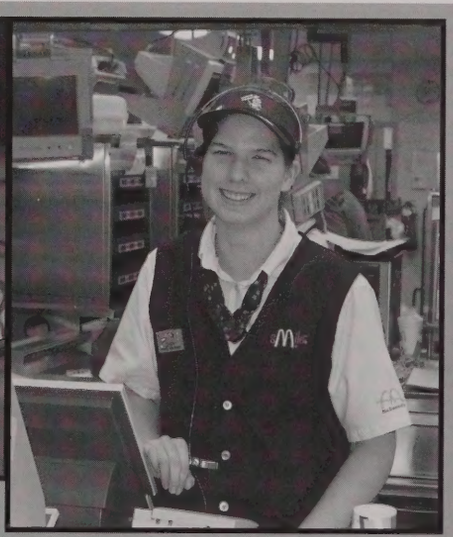
Emily Bowman

Many students balance an after school job and school work throughout the year. Some save their money earned for cars, cell phones, or spend it on their significant other. Working at the Wisp is a popular job during the winter, while the Lakeside Creamery tops the list for summer employment. Danielle Hickman is one such person who works at the Creamery during the summertime: "I like having a job because it gives me extra money to do things I like to do without having to ask my parents for money." Being successful both in the classroom and in the workplace takes discipline, but many students pull it off with style!

Many students start working as young as fifteen in order to offset the many expenses of being a teenager. "I can't imagine not having a job," Nora Nichols said.

Not all jobs are meant to be. Kara Paugh stated, "I went to work at Nu-Way Interiors, but it was hard and got really hot, so I quit."

Getting ready to head off to work, Lindsey Strubin claimed, "I like working at the Creamery because lots of hot guys come in to get ice cream."



"I like working at McDonald's because the people there are very nice," stated Cheri Dever.

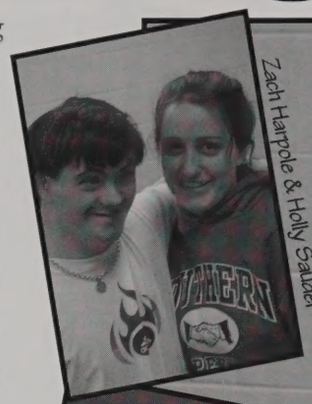
Susan Broadwater

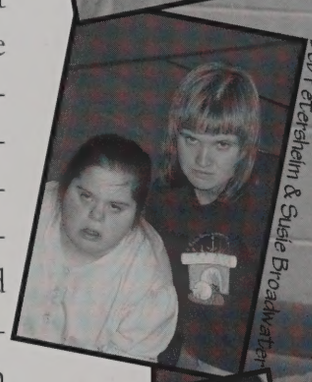
# Best Buddies
## Lasting Friendships

Jessica Welch

Staff Writer: Amanda King

The Best Buddies program is a national organization that seeks to develop friendships between those that are disabled and their peers. Its goal is to create friendships in school that will be carried out of school as well. One of the major objectives of the program is to promote understanding of people with disabilities. Mr. Plum, the supervisor of the program, is proud to see "a lot more understanding of students with disabilites" since the program's inception. Many students have participated in Best Buddies and will have lasting memories of a wonderful and special friendship.


Zach Harpole & Holly Sauder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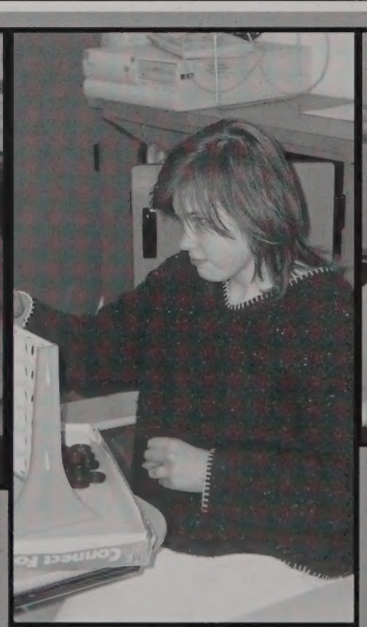
Zach Harpole's competitive nature not only makes him a difficult opponent at chess but also at Battleship.

Jessica Reams tries to watch *Finding Nemo* while Raymond Tichinel tries his hardest to distract her.


Jackie Stillwagon looks for her next move; her game plan makes her quite an opponent at Connect Four.

The Best Buddies miniperiod is a great opporunity for friendships to flourish like Laryn Hanline's and Mandy Holstine's.

Carrie Kisner

Susan Broadwater

Andy Bittinger

Jessica Reams

Mel Smith

Zach Harpole

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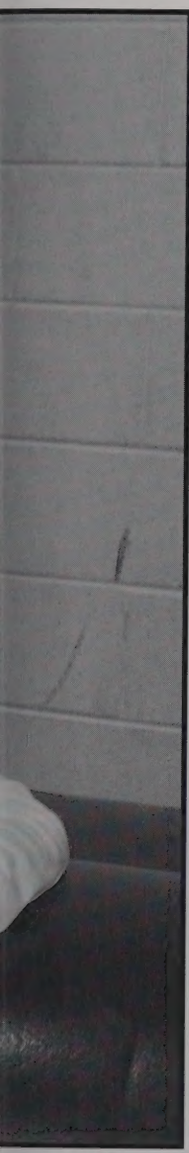
Curtis Bowman

Jackie Stillwagon



- The Best Buddies Program has been at Southern for three years and is continuing to grow and make an impact.
- "Your role is a simple one - be a friend."
  - Best Buddies Handbook
- A Peer Buddy is a high school student who makes a commitment to be paired in a one-on-one friendship.
- The Best Buddies Program is a non-profit organization.
- The main benefit of participating in Best Buddies is making a new friend.

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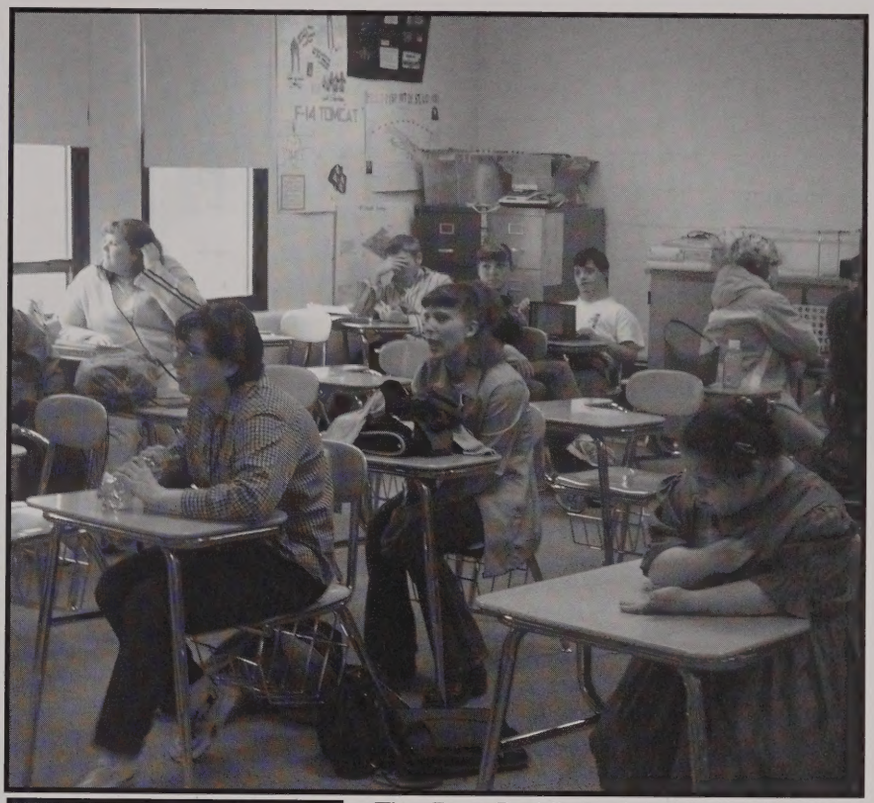
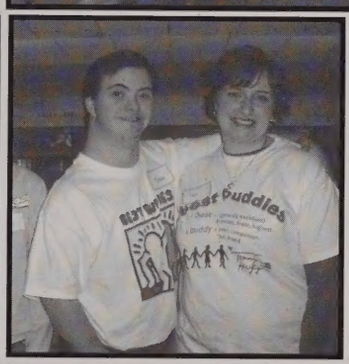
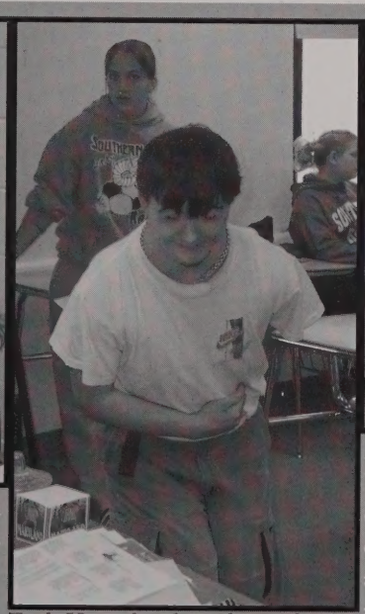


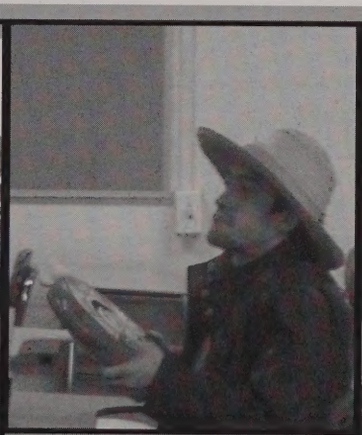


- The Best Buddies miniperiod enjoy the movie *Monsters Inc.* They also went to see the movie *Radio*, which was a hit.
- As the first president of Best Buddies, Erin Oxford still participates in the program. She and Zach Harpole enjoy their day on the bowling trip.
- Pausing from their "girl talk" are buddies Dani Hickman and Jackie Stillwagon. As president, Dani enjoys every moment of miniperiod.

Carrie Kisner and Jackie Stillwagon have become great friends thanks to the Best Buddies program.



Zach Harpole takes a bow after he cracks a joke that makes his class laugh. Zach has become the comedian of Best Buddies.



At the Best Buddies auction, Raymond Tichinel enjoys his purchases. Every year the Best Buddies have a chance to experience an auction, complete with a real auctioneer.

Jessica Reams is excited to see her quilt coming together as Holly Sauder lends her a helping hand.

Daniel Sgaggero

Natalie Domenick

Jason Fike

Robin Gregg

Curt Taylor

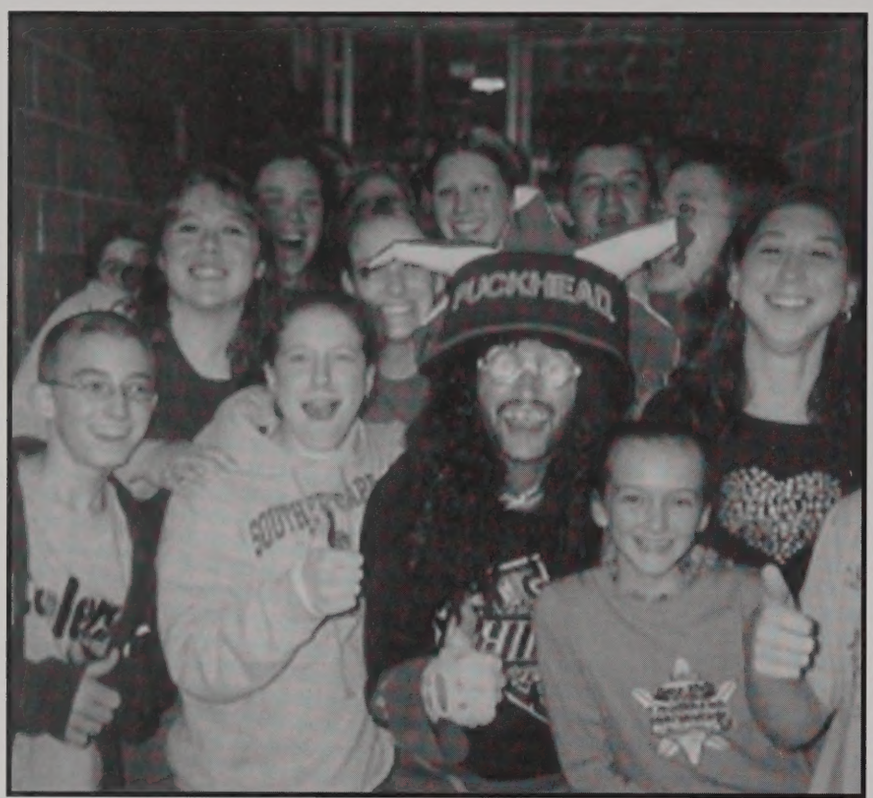
Michael Nelson

Amanda King

Tyler Ashby

Jennifer Rentschler

Justine Pagenhardt




## CALL TO ORDER

•"Student Council was one of the best activities I participated in during high school."
-Natalie Domenick

•"Student Council is an experience that I will never forget. Without Mr. Mayfield and Mr. Leitzel, none of it would have been possible."
-Jason Fike

•"I enjoy being able to be around students with high academic goals."
-Laura Bonser

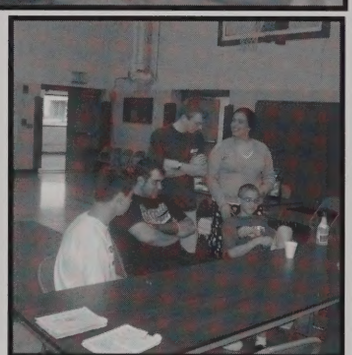
•"NHS inspires me to work even harder in all my classes because I know that I am setting an example and being looked to as a leader."
-Holly Sauder

•"I love going on all the trips and meeting new people."
-Shar Hollingsworth

• GCASC members attended a Johnstown hockey game where they had the opportunity to pose with the famous Puckhead.

• Student Council members take a break after another successful bloodmobile.

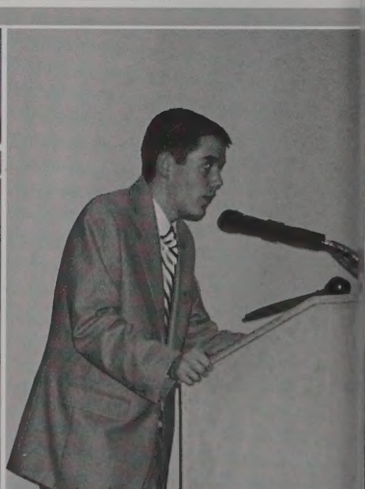
• Senior National Honor Society members gather for a picture at the 2004 induction of new members.



The Student Council hosted the Winter Sports Homecoming this year. Sara DiSimone headed the decorating commitee and used the theme "Affaire De Amore."

Jamie White and his mother stand proudly after his induction into the National Honor Society.

Kailee Craig gets the facts while waiting to give blood at the April Student Council bloodmobile.


MASC President Brady Walker led over 800 students through one of the greatest Student Council conventions. Students learned how to truly walk in the way of a leader at OC.

Kenzie Craig

Spring Bloodmobile

# Leadership

## the right path

Staff Writer: Amanda Sisler

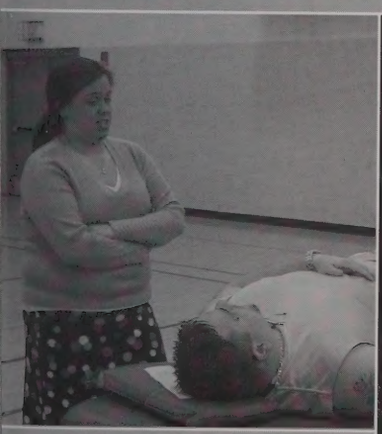
Ocean City

Emily Bowman

GCASC

The student leaders of SHS had an exciting year. Student Council hosted their annual bloodmobiles in the fall and spring. Officers and representatives from Southern and Northern High Schools attended the first High School Leadership Conference in Baltimore County at Wildlake High School. GCASC hosted the year's hockey game at Johnstown featuring the Johnstown Chiefs and the Trenton Titans. The year ended with the MASC Convention in Ocean City and a fairwell to 30-year advisor Mr. Mayfield.

National Honor Society hosted their annual food drive in the fall of the new school year and took part in the Rotary Christmas project. NHS also worked to send supplies to troops in Korea. National Honor Society member Andrew Goad said, "The best thing about NHS is the opportunity to work with others and help each other excel." The year ended with the induction of new members in the spring of 2004.

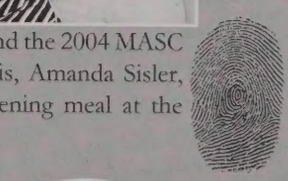


Sarah DiSimone stands with Ron Colemen while he helps the Red Cross by giving blood at the Student Council bloodmobile.

Students get excited at the hockey game in Johnstown. The field trip was sponsored by GCASC.

Five student council members had the opportunity to attend the 2004 MASC Convention in Ocean City. Taylor Crabtree, Corey Lewis, Amanda Sisler, Shar Hollingsworth, and Jadyn Swerbinsky enjoy an evening meal at the Clarion Resort.





Bryson Dixon

# Watch Out! student drivers

jasmine scheffel

Staff Writer: Alisha Stahl

There are many students who drive to school, but before driving anywhere, a student is required to take a Drivers Education course. Almost every student at Southern has had Mr. Heatherman and Mr. Hinebaugh for teachers. Students are required to learn traffic laws, road signs, safety, and many other important driving concepts. While taking the drivers education course, students also learn CPR.

If a student meets certain grade requirements, he can park in the upper student parking lot. For those who are not so lucky, there is a long walk up from the track.

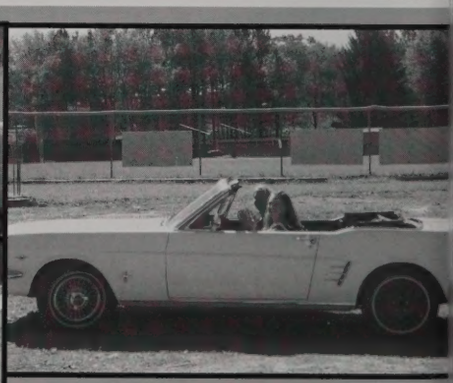
The third period Drivers Ed. class is learning about road laws and traffic lights. After trying their best on the simulators, the students then get to try driving in a real car.

"Totally Pimpin'" is how Matt Ashby describes his customized Honda Civic. He has had his car for eight months and likes it because it turns heads and, according to Matt, "picks up the chicks." He plans to change his car even more to fit his unique taste.

Mark Bittinger

Robbie DeWitt cuiseds in his Honda Prelude. He agrees with Matt Ashby that "a cool car really picks up the chicks."

Travis Sines likes his '89 Chevrolet. The truck is now his, but it used to be his father's. The truck has been in his family since it was new.

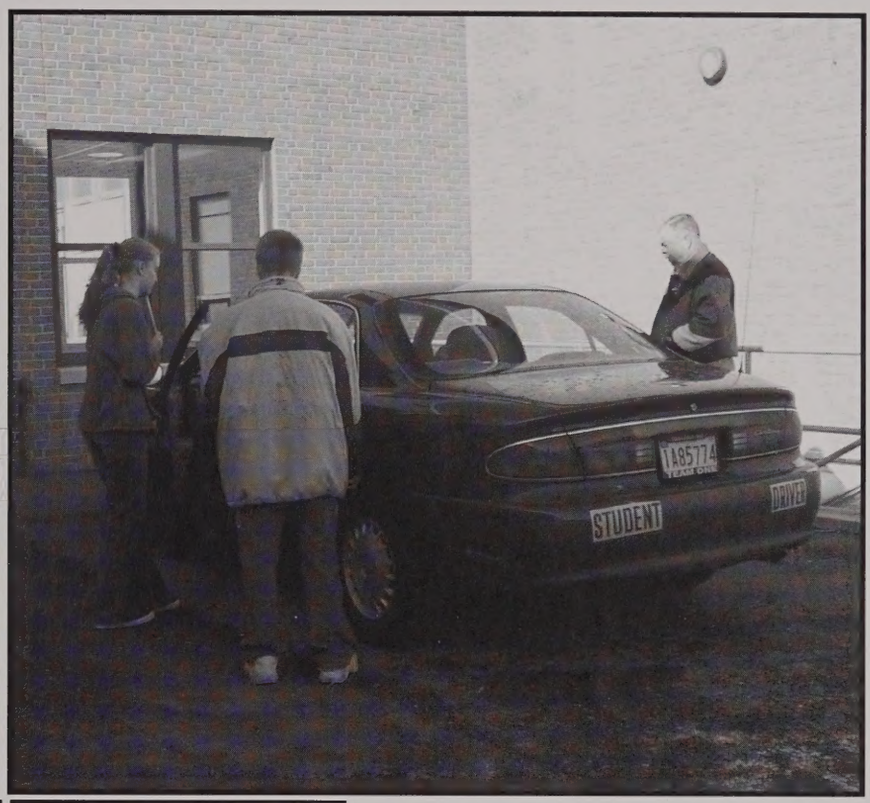


Nicole Raynovich puts the top down on her classic Mustang. She likes Mustangs and wants to keep hers as original as possible. The car was given to her a few years ago. "It's not very reliable," says Nicole, and sometimes she wants to push it off a cliff.

justine pagenhardt | jadyn swerbinsky | eileen mouyard | lindsey strubin | ashley stuck | casey taylor | scott wildesen | tyler ashby | lisa wade

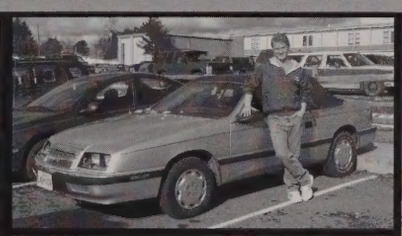
- "I haven't had Drivers Ed. yet, but I will in the spring. I look forward to driving and having a car because I could leave my house whenever I want." -Sarah Anderson
- "I like driving and having my own car because it gives me a sense of freedom and I don't have to depend on my parents to drive me around." -Amanda Sisler
- "I want a car so I can get away from my parents, and so I can see my boyfriend more often." - Amy DeVore
- "I want a car so I can drive myself places and so I don't have to depend on my parents." -Erica Glotfelty

# DRIVE or dream

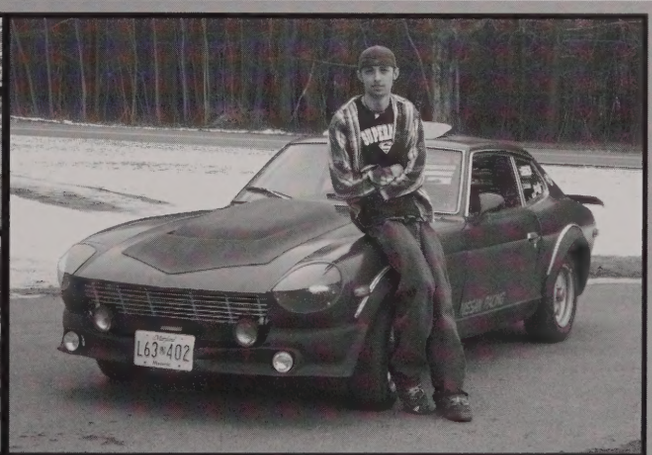


• Hannah Stahl and Chad Remley check the car before they start to drive, while Mr. Heatherman supervises.
• This is the first time some teens are behind the wheel of a car, which can be scary for the student -- and the driving instructor!
• Eric King thinks that reading the instructions first is a good idea. One very important thing he forgot to do was to close the door.

Colleen Watson likes her little Suzuki Vitara. She has had it six months, and "it got me to and from play practice." Colleen said, "I like it because it requires low maintainance and it's good on gas. My car is good to me, but sometimes it leaks." She likes her car because it is small and easier to drive than a bigger car.



Evan Thayer can't put the top down today, not with snow and bad weather. He enjoys driving his Chrysler LeBaron, even though it's not very dependable. Craig Mason shows off his red Toyota Celica. Craig admits that he has had an accident before, when he ran into a ditch because the road was covered in water.




This 1974 Datsun is a rare thing to find in a student parking lot. Nick Betz has had his car for three years. He put a new engine in it and did all the mechanical work himself.



Paul Beckman

Emmett Michael

# Seniors

The journey through high school is just like baking cookies. We start out with an empty bowl and spoon. Slowly and carefully we add ingredients. Along the way, we may put in too much sugar or flour, but we correct our mistakes by balancing out the formula. If we have succeeded in mixing the correct ingredients, our cookies will be a wonderful reward. If not, then they will be a bland disaster! Southern High School is the bowl in which our cookies are concocted. The spoon with which we stir the ingredients is the tools our education has granted us. But only we can determine what the final outcome will be by deciding what we put in our cookie batters. If we have included ingredients such as determination, time, hard work, and positive attitudes, we will taste the rewards of high school as we step off the stage with diplomas in hand.

Kimberly Durben

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Brandon
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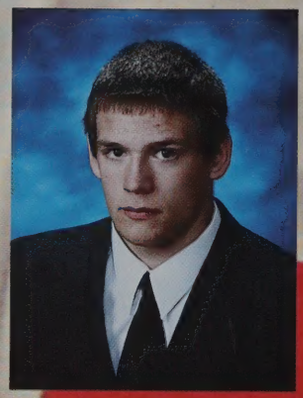

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Holly Ann
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Stasha
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Laura Diane
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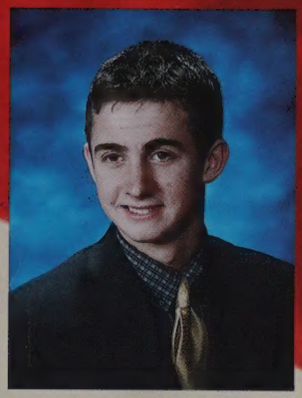

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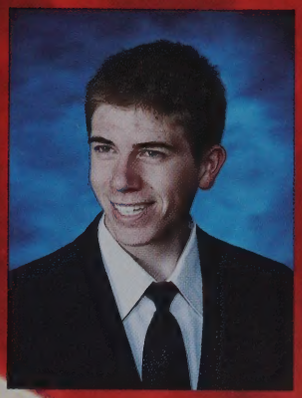

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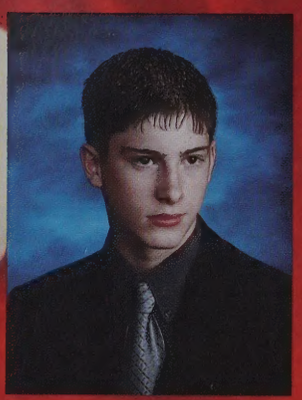

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Durben

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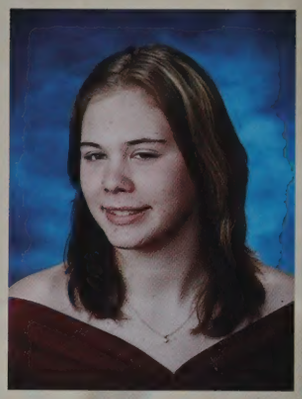

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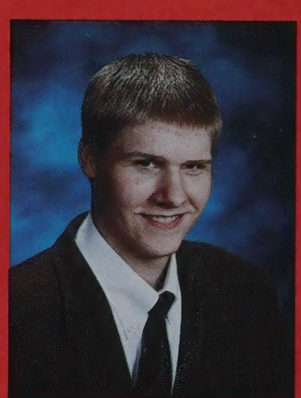

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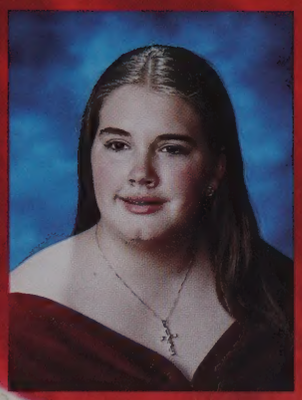

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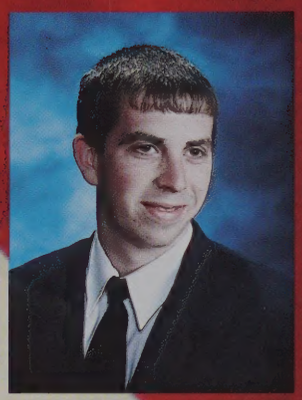

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Mike Meunchow

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Andrew Joseph Murray

Michael Andrew Nelson

Nora Elizabeth Nichols

Kenneth Allen Noland

Erin Ruth Oxford

Justine Abigail Pagenhardt

Becki Elizabeth Pannell

Amanda Lynn Park

John Ryan Parker

Arden Randolph Paugh

Kara Elizabeth Paugh

Nicholas Alexander Perry

Arin Michael Thomas Phares

Megan Ray Pike

Laura Elizabeth Preston

Kathleen L. Pritts

Brandon Mark Proudfoot

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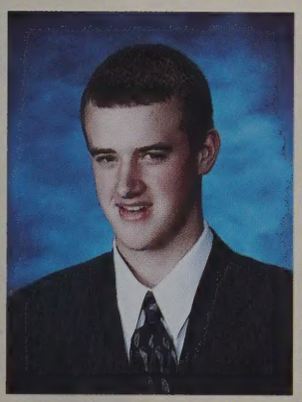

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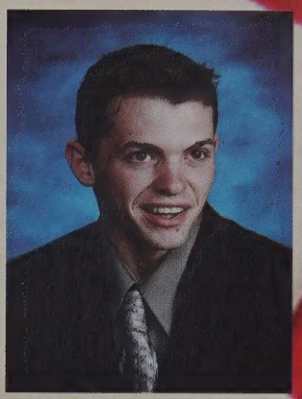

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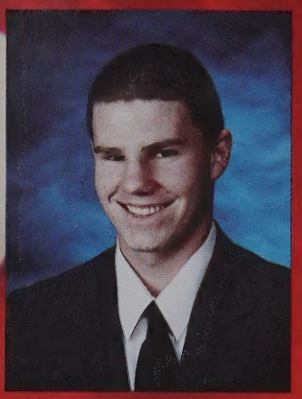

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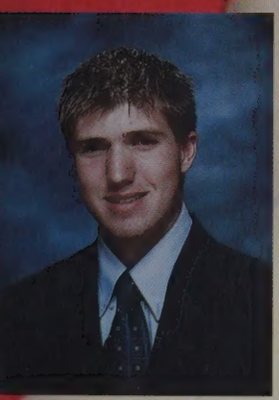

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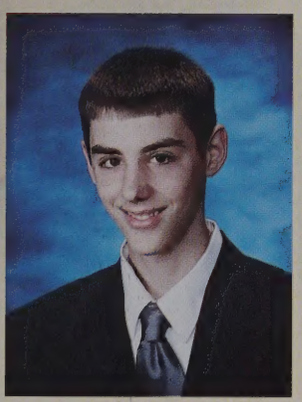

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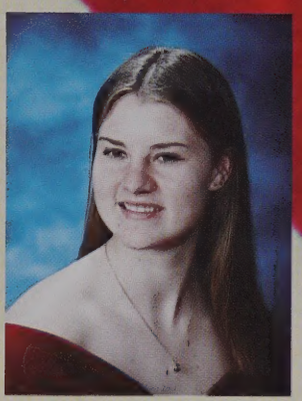

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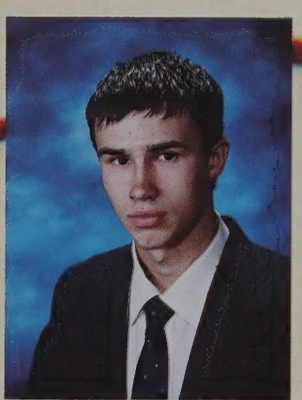

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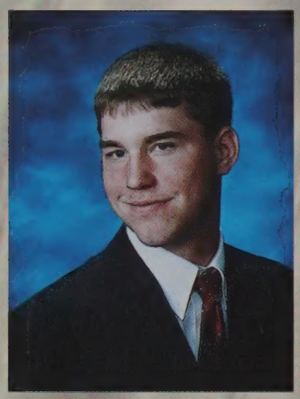

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Ginger May Stemple

Robert Lee Stemple

Jessica Lynette Stone

Nina D. Stoner

Stephanie A. Stoner

Alexis Marie Storey

Albert Taylor

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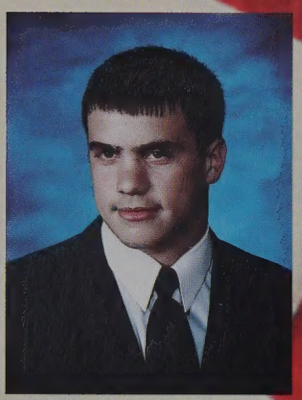

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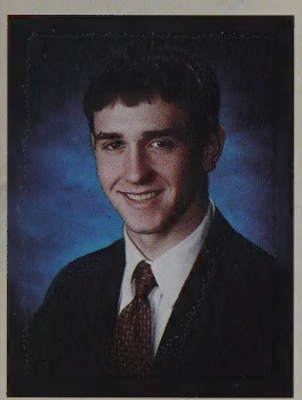

Jason Hamilton
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Joe
Whitacre

Joseph
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Brian E.
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Jessica Rebecca
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## Not Pictured

Lauren Brenneman
Sky Collins
Thomas Dunbar
Lacie Fogle
Britiny Hoffman
Zech McPhail
Derek Nutter
Matt Shaffer

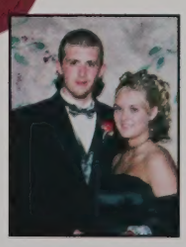
# Midnight In the Garden

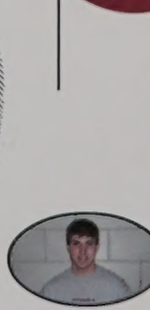
Staff Writer: Jessie Woods

With the end of the year approaching, many juniors and seniors begin to think about prom. The 2004 Prom was held at the Elks Lodge, the theme being "Midnight in the Garden." Prom court, as selected by the student body, included princesses Eileen Mouyard, Sara DiSimone, Nina Stoner, and Robbin Gregg. The princes were Tyler Ashby, Jason Fike, Curt Taylor, and Billy Reams. Karl Hillen was chosen as the Prom King and the Prom Queen was Michelle Kitzmiller. Many students enjoyed what was, for seniors, their last dance. Memory books and glasses were given to the students as mementoes of this special evening. It was a great way for seniors to turn one more page toward the completion of their high school career.

## A Black Tie Affair

"This year, Prom was a blast. I had a lot of fun," shared Melissa Rohrbaugh.





Mark Rohrbaugh

## A NIGHT TO REMEMBER

Students Enjoy a Successful Prom

"Prom was the most beautiful thing I have ever seen," shared Craig Conroy.

"This year's prom was lots of fun. The night was more special because it was our sixth month anniversary," shared Nick Betz.

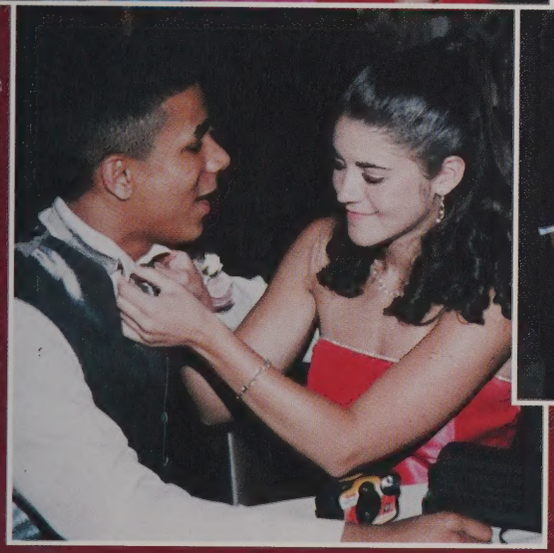
"I was very thrilled as I hit the entrance," said Matt Ashby. "I felt like I was in Hollywood." Matt's date is sophomore Halie Hostutler.

Curt Taylor and Amanda King

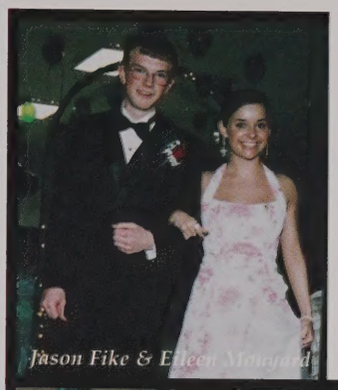
Garrett O'Brien and Nicole Tressler

Meghan Kelly, Megan Pike, and Sara DiSimone

Mark Rohrbaugh and Vanessa Logan



Charles Burton and Kenzie Craig

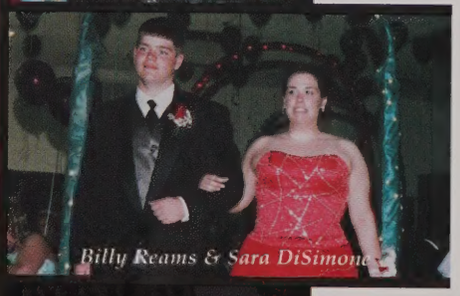


Jason Fike & Eileen Monyak

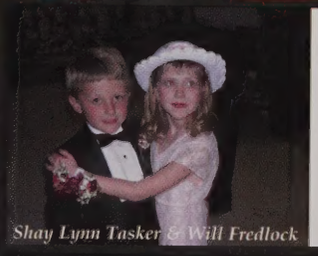
Curt Taylor & Robbin Gregg

Karl Hillen & Michelle [illegible]

Tyler Ashby & Nina Stoner



Billy Reams & Sara DiSimone



Shay Lynn Tasker & Will Fredlock

Emily [illegible] & Tyler Artice

## Head to Head

# Poofy vs. Plain

Cinderella-style or simply chic?

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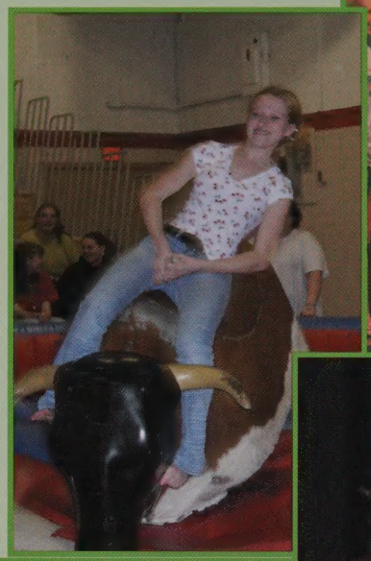
| Nicole Tressler commented," I decided to go all out for prom because you only get one night to wear a dress like that." | Casey Taylor stated, "It's pretty annoying dodging all of the poofs on the dance floor and I was going for va-va-voom this year." |
| "My dress made me feel like a princess," replied Sara DiSimone when asked why she chose a poofy prom dress. | "I wanted to get away from the traditional prom dress this year," commented Krista Hanline. |
| Amanda Sisler said, "Last year my dress was small so since it was my senior year, I wanted to get a bigger one." | Lori Fox confided, "I glowed in my dress. I think I looked good." |

Meghan Kelly



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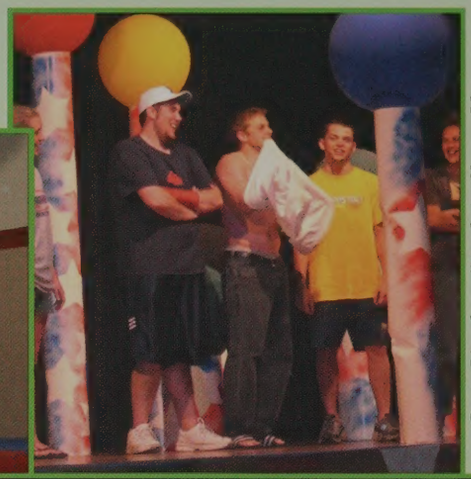
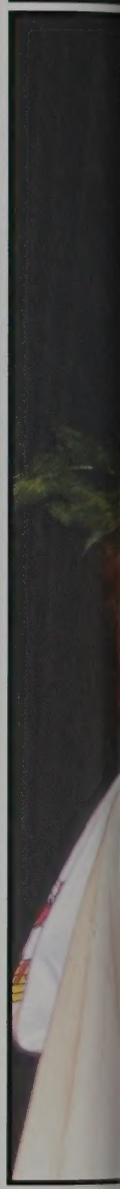


Curt Taylor, Karl HIllen, Shane Riley

Colleen Watson, Mandi Stahl, Lisa Bernard, Michael Nelson

Karl HIllen



## Memorable vs. Forgettable

Our impressions of the Grecian After-Prom

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|---|---|
| "The mechanical bull was really cool." - Karl Hillen | "Simon says wasn't fun because I was the first one out." - Shar Hollingsworth |
| "The casino was the best because 'Crazy Karl' was running it." - Becca Flanagan | "We needed a bigger course for the bikes." - Travis Friend |
| "The boxing was the best part." - Jason Fike | "I was tired and couldn't go home to my own bed." - Brad Reese |

Arden Paugh

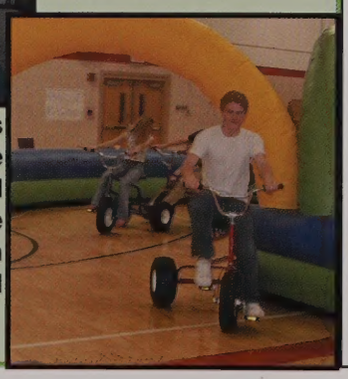
# Experience Greece

Staff Writer: Mandy King

The 13th annual After-Prom was a success with plenty of activities and all the food anyone could ask for. Mrs. Bender, along withthe help of many parents and teachers, made *My Big Fat Greek After-Prom* a lasting memory. Students had the chance to hang out with their friends until the early morning hours and enjoy the activities provided. Ping pong, air hockey, pool, and movies were among the activities students enjoyed. The most memorable events and activites were participating in the Olympic Games in the early morning, riding the mechanical bull, boxing, and making music videos. Many people thought After-Prom was very fun and are glad for the memories it provided.

Making a music video was one of the activities at this year's After-Prom party. Bailey Michael enjoyed making a Nirvana video with her friends.

Arden Paugh and Sara Moore enjoyed gambling for prizes such as movies, CDs, t-shirts, and John Deere hats (a favorite).



Riding the bikes on an inflatable course provided an enjoyable time for Evan Thayer and many others.

RESTING ON LAURELS

Memories From Greece

"I think After-Prom is a good idea. It gives students something fun and safe to do. I enjoyed being part of After-Prom and know I'll always remember the fun times."

-Nikki Raynovich

Kenny Noland

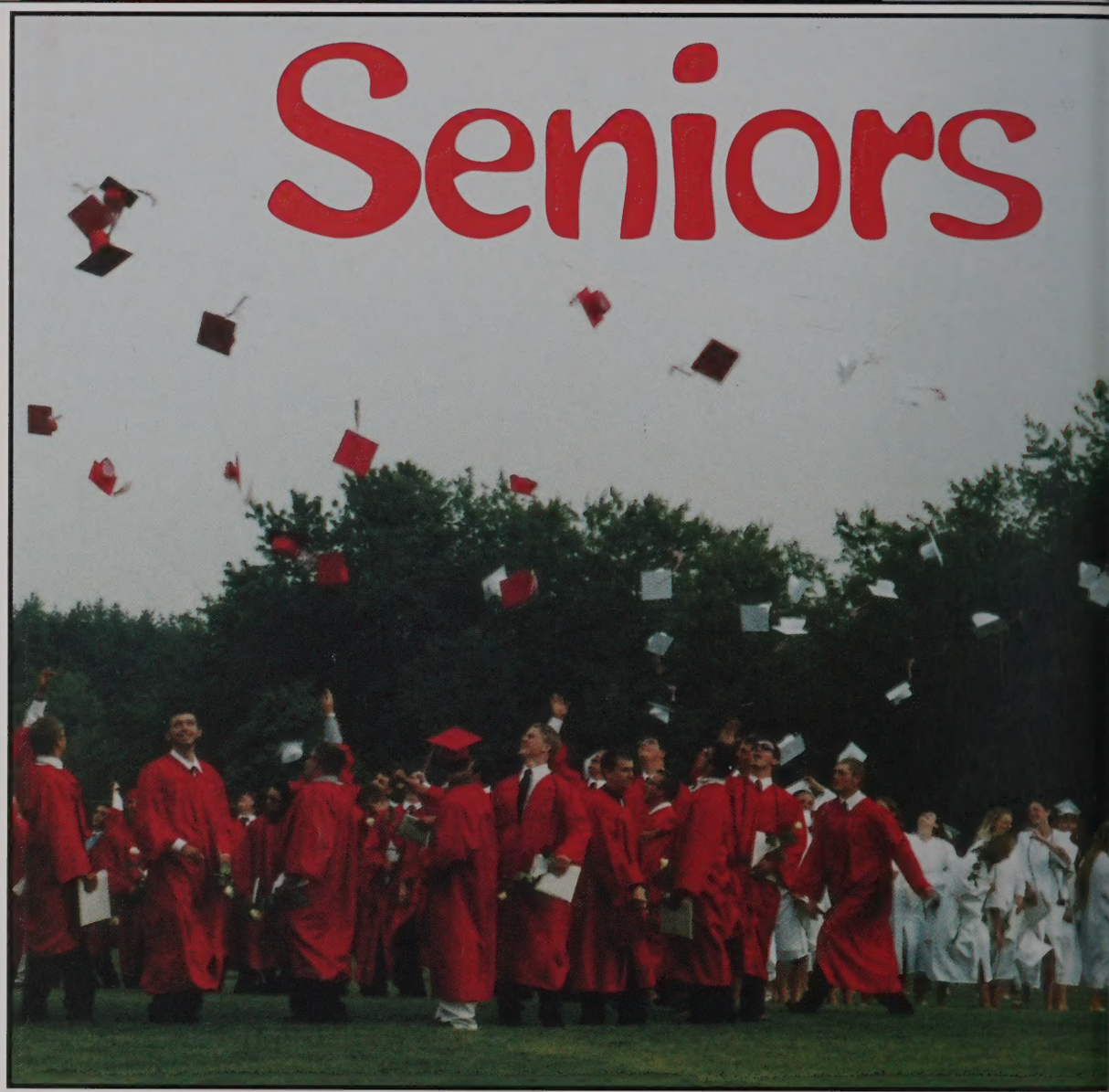
# Hats Off FOR Seniors

Staff Writer: Sarah Anderson

Graduation exercises, held on June 6, 2004, marked the beginning of a new life for 162 graduates. Valedictorian Natalie Dominick handed out "lottery tickets" to her classmates, all with the same winning number. "When you all cross that stage and receive your diplomas," Natalie explained, "you will all hold equally a winning ticket to success."

Salutatorian Justine Pagenhardt, in a moving speech, thanked her family and teachers, expressing the gratitude of each graduate for the people offered encouragement through the years. President Erin Oxford also reminded the class that events and people in the past have shaped each graduate's present outlook.

After receiving their diplomas, the graduates formed an '04 on the football field. Mr. Woods congratulated the class and on that cue, the graduates tossed their mortar boards into the air, marking the end of an era, and a reason for celebration.

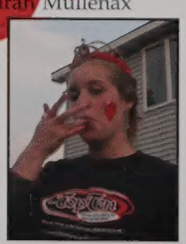




### Piece of Cake

"I'm going to miss high school and all the friends that I have made, but I'm glad to be moving on to bigger and better things."

–Sarah Mullenax



Levi Filsinger

## Danforth Award

Mr. Woods addresses the senior class before revealing which of the nominees has earned the Danforth Award. This year's nominees were: Erin Oxford, Michael Nelson, Laura Bonser, Adam Sincell, Holly Sauder, and Natalie Domenick.

Mr. William Grant presents the Danforth Award on behalf of the Alumni Association.

Natalie Domenick and Adam Sincell received the Danforth Award and its accompanying Roy Paugh Memorial Scholarship. One girl and one boy are honored annually. Nominations are based on personal integrity, high academic achievement, balanced living, and leadership potential.

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# Class of 2004

## Southern's Seniors

Staff Writer: Sarah Anderson

# Southern Garrett High School

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June 6, 2004

Dear Southern Garrett High School Graduates,

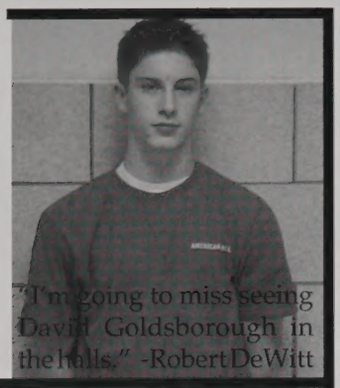
Please accept my heartfelt congratulations on becoming a high school graduate. You have fulfilled a life long dream of every kindergarten student. Since you were five years old you have pointed toward this accomplishment of the joining of a fraternity of extraordinary learners. The high school diploma symbolizes thirteen years of perseverance, challenges, and most importantly steady success. You have earned a status that should open doors for the remainder of your life.

Representing our school as the fifty-second graduating class of seniors is an honor not to be taken lightly. During your four years of education at our school, you have been a part of many lifelong transitions. You have learned to help others through the Service Learning requirements placed on all Maryland graduates. This sometimes burdensome expectation has been a valuable lesson as to the needs of the populous to come to the aid and comfort of others. During the past months many of you have made decisions that will affect your lives forever. Some of you will pursue higher education degrees, while others will begin careers in their chosen field. Still others will journey to far off places as part of our country's fighting forces. Regardless of your path, Southern Garrett High School has prepared you well.

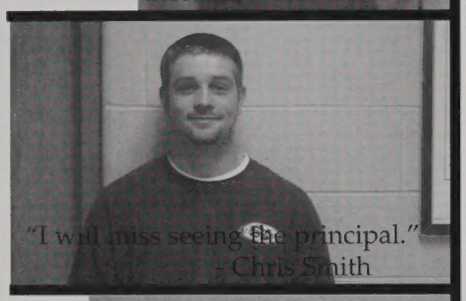
The successes you have experienced are too numerous to note, but the memories of those moments are forever etched in each of your minds. The thrill of basketball championships, seeing one's name on honor roll lists, passing some of the most difficult state standards anywhere in America, and finishing thirteen years of education will long be some of your most prized thoughts. Each of you has been privileged to be nurtured and taught by a staff of compassionate and professional educators. Dozens of Garrett County teachers have contributed to your life and taken the time along the way to become friends that can always be counted on in a time of need.

Celebrate your accomplishments and revel in the fact that you had the good fortune to be a part of a school that will always cherish your attendance. Long after each of us have departed for new horizons, the marks we left will be remembered by all who follow. The greatest compliment paid a person is to have left the world better as a result of their life. Each of you has left Southern Garrett High School a ***---better place!***

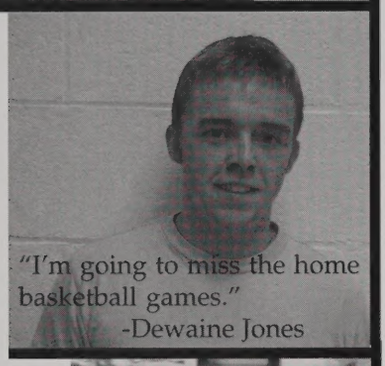
Mr. Tom Woods
Principal



"I'm going to miss seeing David Goldsborough in the halls." -Robert DeWitt

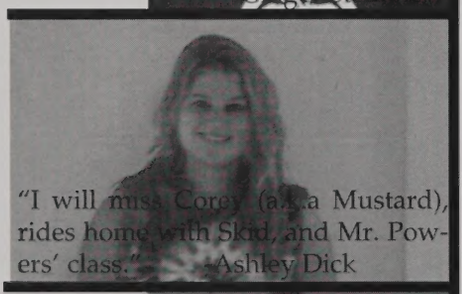


"I will miss seeing the principal." -Chris Smith



"I'm going to miss the home basketball games." -Dewaine Jones

"I'm going to miss all of my friends." -Ginger Stemple

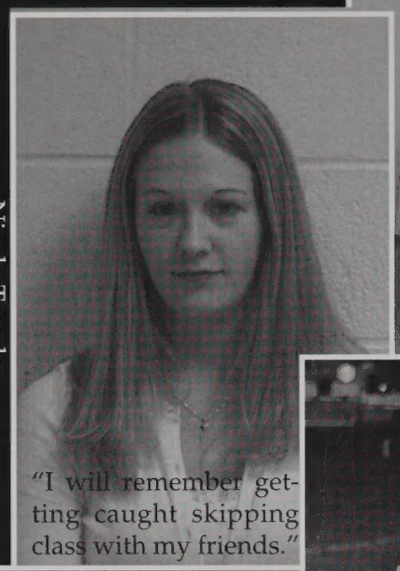


"I will miss Corey (a.k.a Mustard), rides home with Skid, and Mr. Powers' class." -Ashley Dick

"I'm going to miss my friends." -Meghan Kelly

"I will miss my friends and the hel..." -Natalie Vanderbilt

Sara DiSimone



Nicole Tressler

"I will remember getting caught skipping class with my friends."

Arden Paugh

"I am going to miss all of my friends."

Casey Taylor and Robbin Gregg

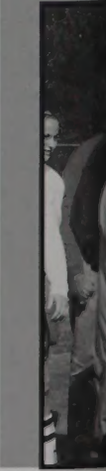
"I will miss Robbin Gregg and remember all my classmates ... just to see me in a dre..."

Willie Davis

"I will remember Mr. Dave Mayfield."

Lacie Fogle

"I will remember all of my classmates."



## Head to Head

# People vs. Events

What will You Miss: the Friends or the Fun?

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| Brian Wolfe commented, "I will miss the great staff at Southern High School." | "I will miss walking the halls with my boyfriend everyday," Jenny Rentschler replied. |
| "I will miss all the fun times I shared with my friends," stated Christen Coddington. | Corey Burrell said, "I am going to miss playing outfield for the baseball team." |
| Jenna Rush confided, "I am going to miss the Crime Dog!" | "I am going to miss football and soccer games," commented Melody Friend. |

# Seniors: Saying Goodbye

Staff Writer Jessie Woods

Every student is very excited and happy when he finally reaches his senior year. However, he begins to dwell on the people and things that he will miss or remember. Each student will certainly miss her friends that are leaving and the moments she shared with each of them. Moving on includes making new friends while remembering the old. Our seniors will go on to many different colleges around the country, making lasting impressions on the world. Some students decide to stay close to home while others move away. This is bittersweet time for each senior, as he realizes he is ending one life and beginning another.

Mr. David Mayfield says goodbye to Southern after 32 years of hard work and dedication. He was honored for his service at a home basketball team against the Northern Huskies. Mr. Mayfield, you have left a lasting impression on us all.

## LOOKING BACK

Favorite Memories are Lasting Impressions

Travis Friend commented, "I will remember all the great times at Autumn Glory that I'd never ehperienced before. It was a great honor to be royalty."

Alasha Rush confided, "I will miss soccer because we were not just a team; they were all my best friends."

"I will miss spending time with my friends when we get ready together before dances," stated Amanda Sisler.

### The Last Hurrah

"I will remember the good times at cheerleading camp, kidnapping the freshmen, and the talent show," stated Nicole Raynovich.

Matt Rohrbaugh

Eric Chapman

# People

The Southern High School community is composed of a wide variety of people. The unique personality of each of SHS student and staff member contributes to a beautiful collage of people. Bound by devotion to our school and each other, we celebrate the diversity of people at Southern High School.

Eugene Shiflett

# Juniors Building A Future

Staff Writer: Stephanie Brenneman

Ending the year with a great season, the volleyball juniors look forward to their senior year.

11th grader Chelsea Davis gives a compelling performance as Mavis in *The Murder Room.*

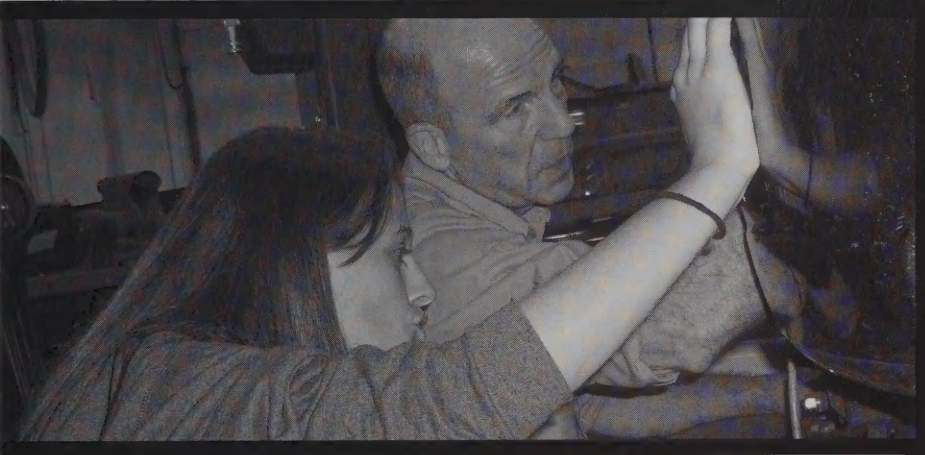
Nathan Sines skillfully saws through a 2 x 4 during carpentry class.

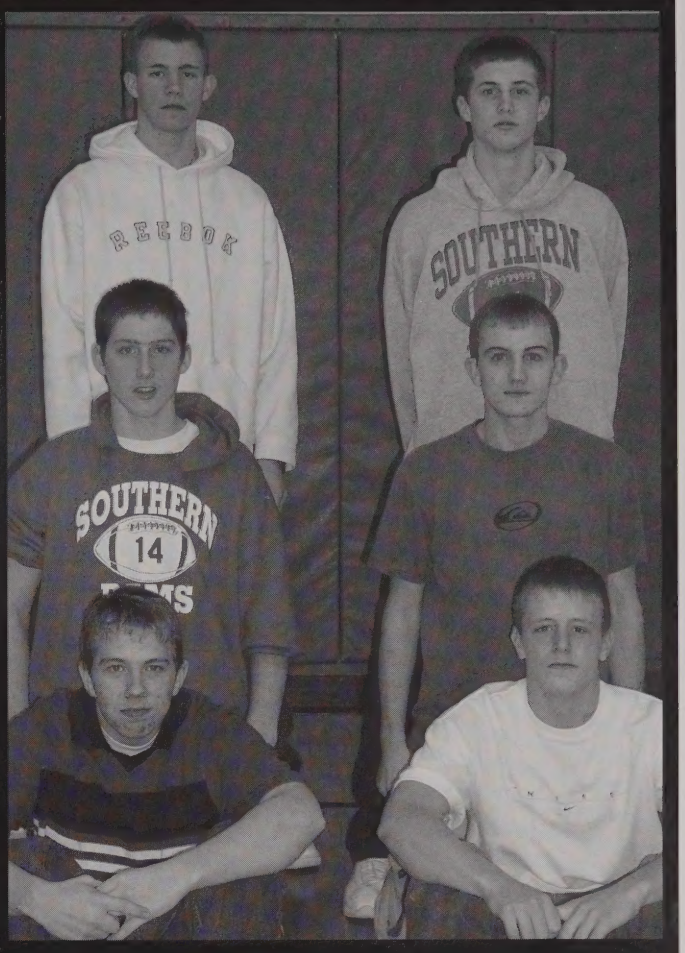
These creative juniors have lead the band to a successful season.

Stephanie Abe

11th grade representatives work on the Student Council's dance.

The Varsity Basketball juniors are ready to tear up the court.



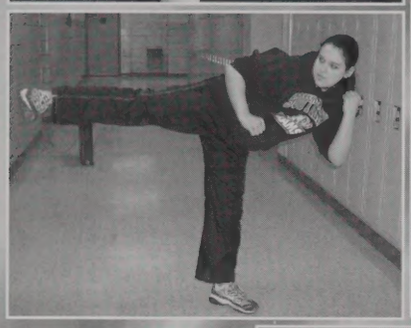


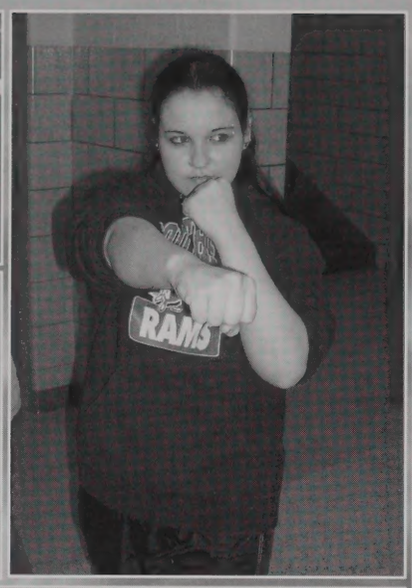

Pit Captain Billy Georg uses the cymbals during the field show.

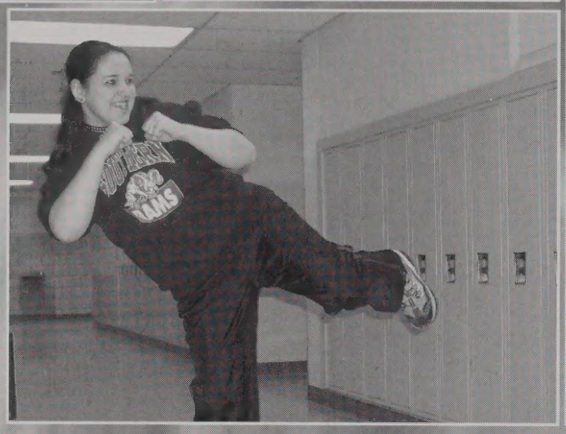
Juniors Felicia Trzicak and Mandy Curry serve on *The Acorn*.

Mr. Powers works with Ashley Davis in the auto shop.

Amanda Evans







Patty Gallagher takes an aerobics class with an emphasis on kickboxing in her spare time.

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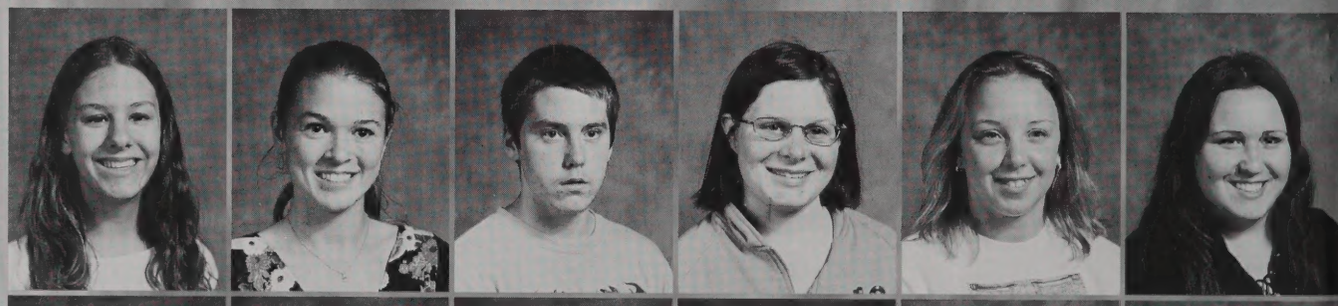

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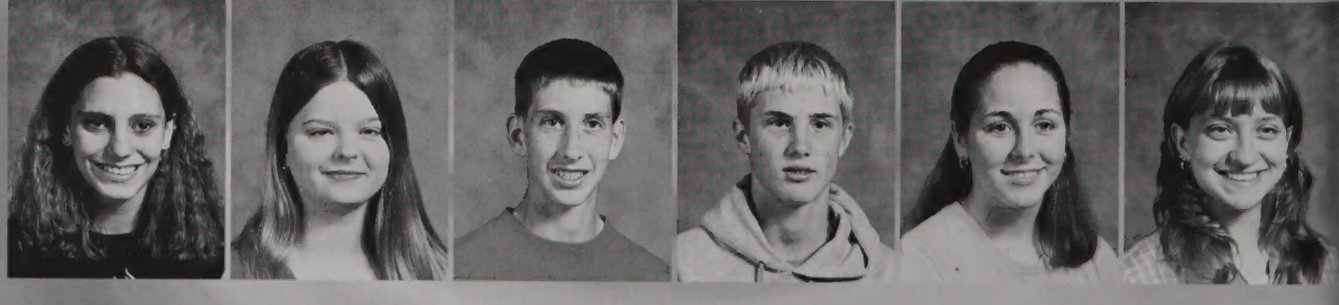

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Michael Collins
Sheena Collins
Bryan Corby
Amy Cosner
Kailee Craig
Bryan Crosco

Jessica Crosco
Brandy Curry
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Chelsea Davis
Christopher Deem

Cheri Dever
Jared Feather
Lana Frank
Daniel Frederick
Rachale French
Krista Friend

Ryann Friend
Stacy Friend
Rebecca Gaither
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Lacey Glotfelty
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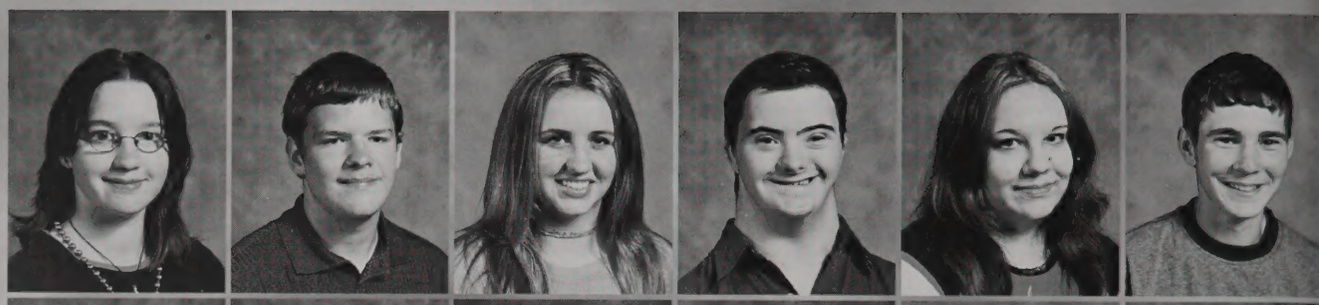

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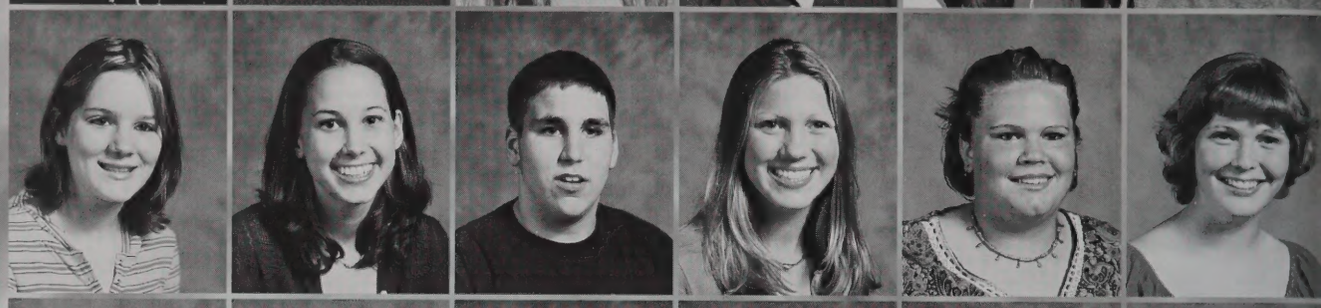

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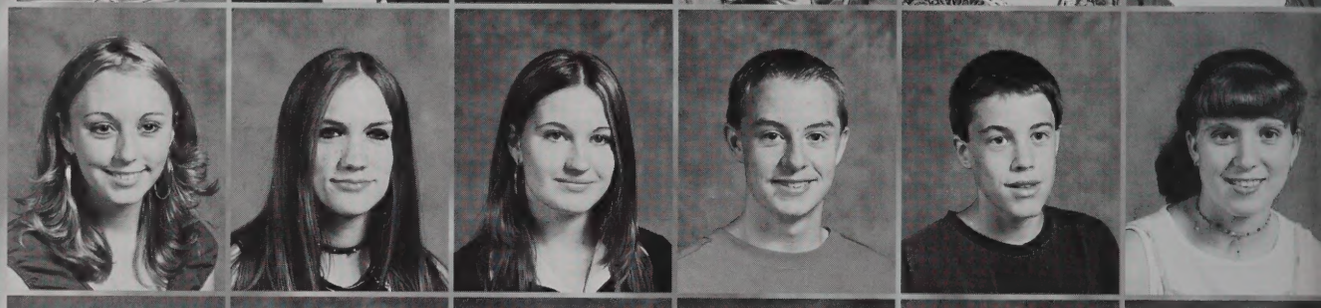

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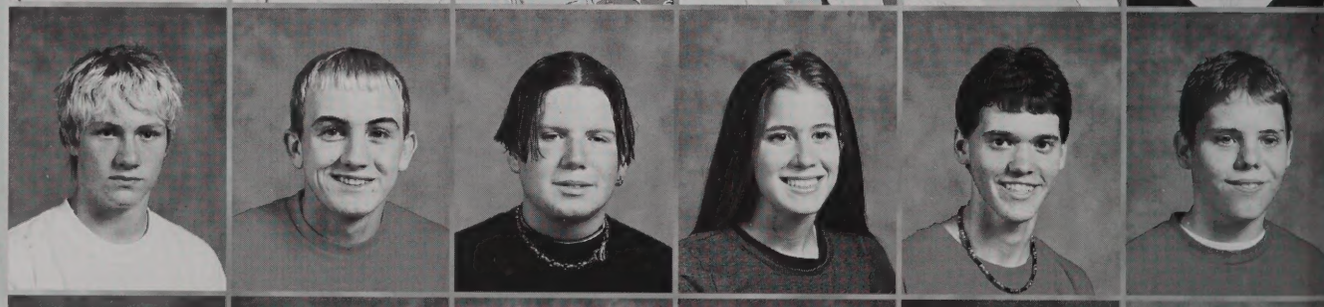

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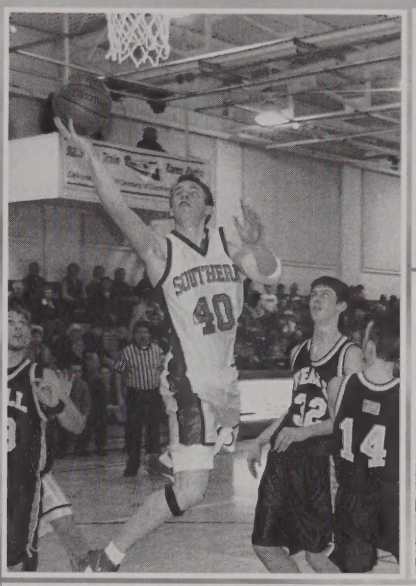

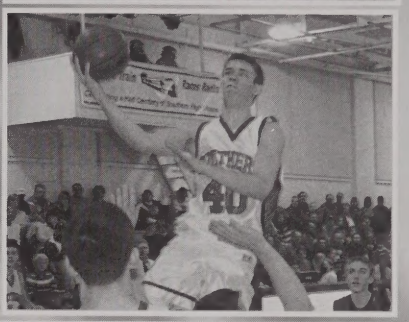

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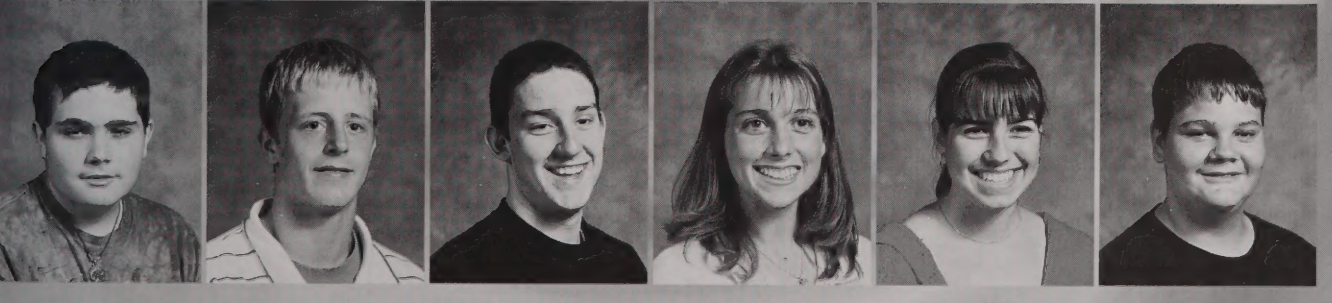

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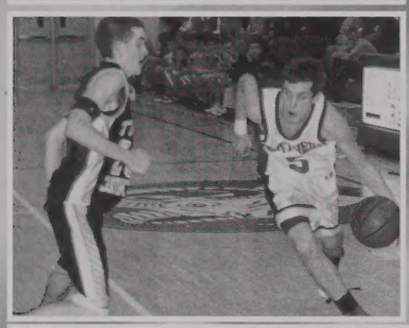

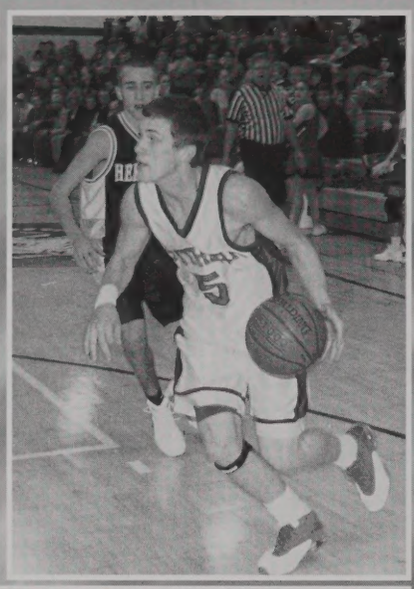

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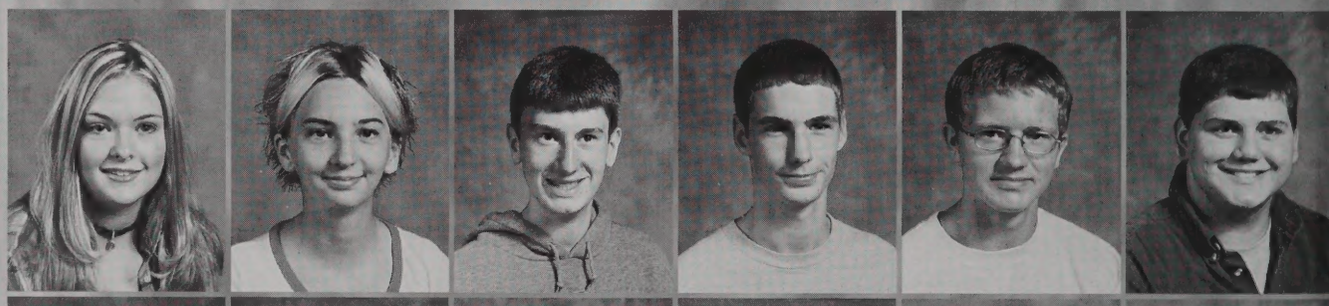

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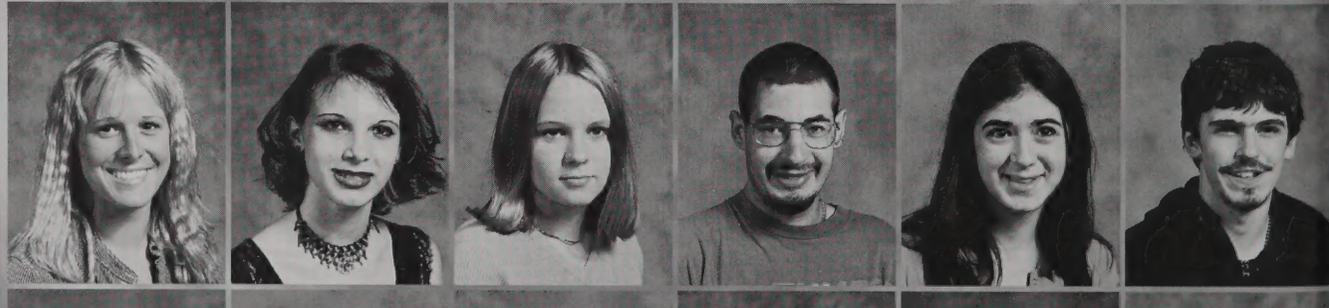

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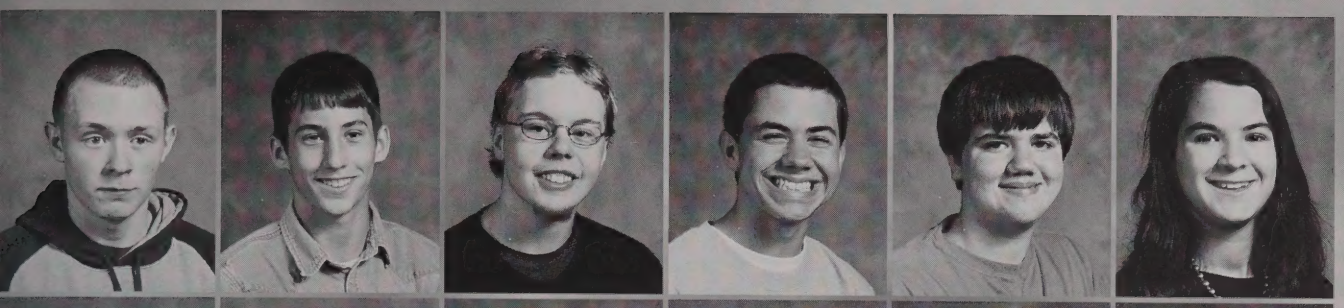

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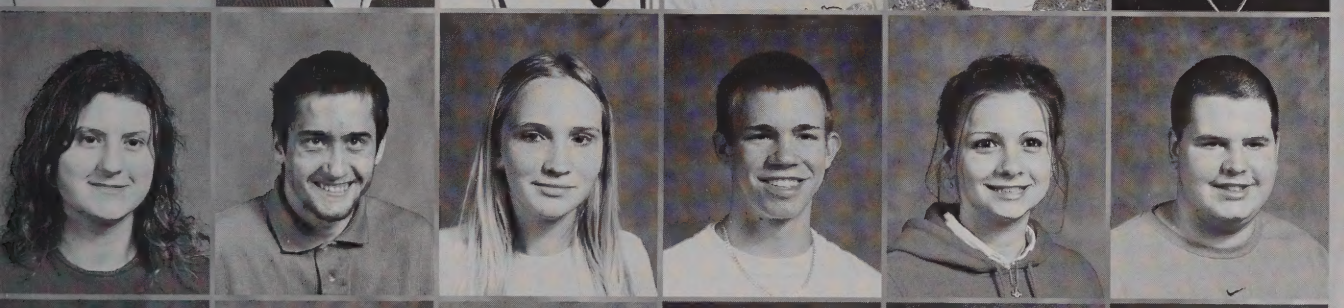

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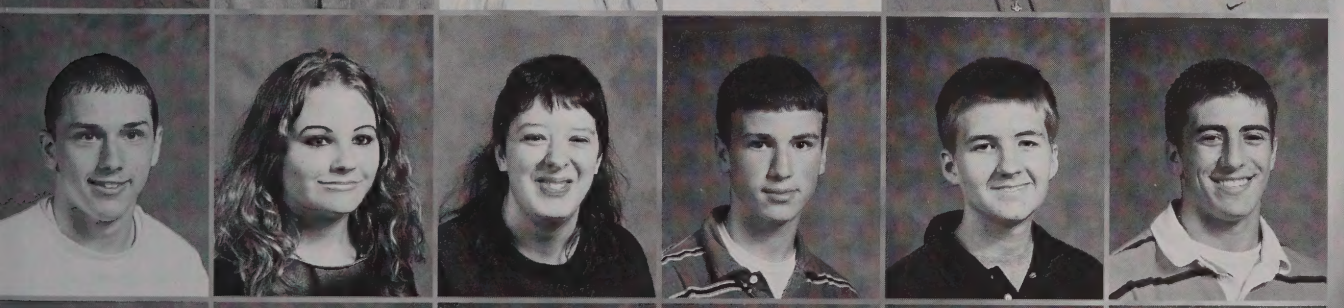

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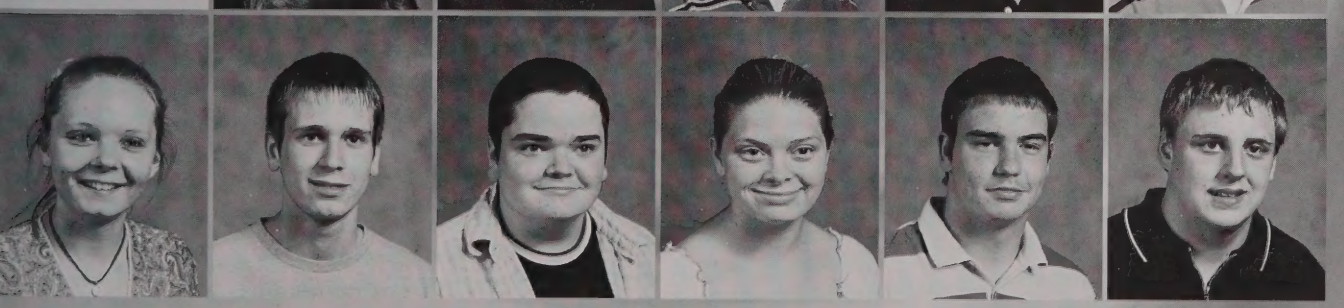

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# Moving On

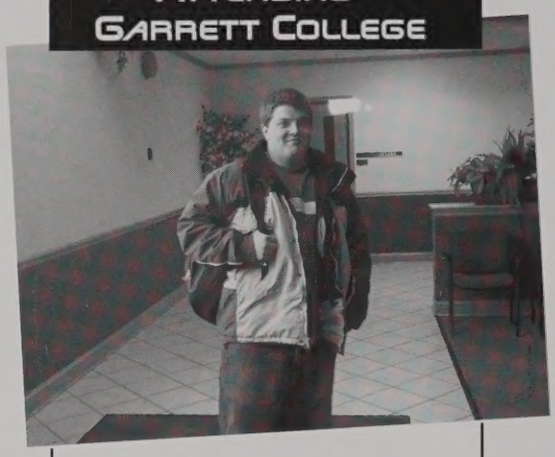
## Life after High School

Staff Writer: Nicole Tressler

High school is a time for teenagers to prepare for their futures. Some will graduate and go out into the work force, while others will attend college. Those who want to attend college must begin planning during their junior year. College hopefuls usually take their SATs and ACTs because most colleges require students to submit their scores. With test scores in hand, students weigh their options and begin the application process.

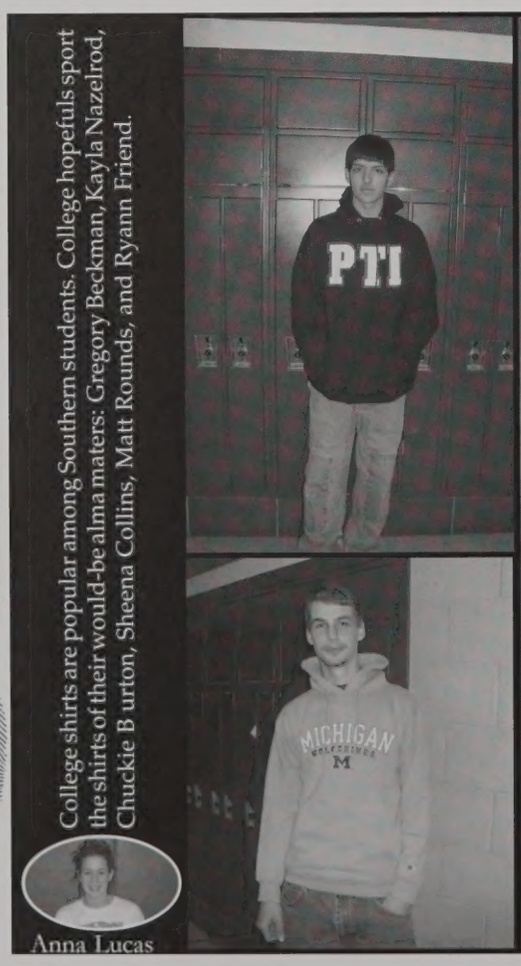
Getting into college can be somewhat challenging. During a student's senior year in high school, he must apply to the colleges of his choice. Once applications are submitted, students check their mailboxes daily for news of acceptance or rejection. Students who are serious about college will find that Southern High School has prepared them well for the next step toward their careers.

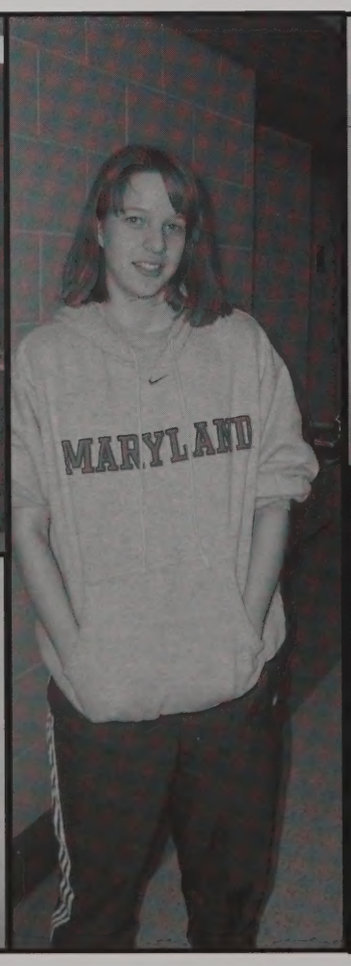
### Attending Garrett College

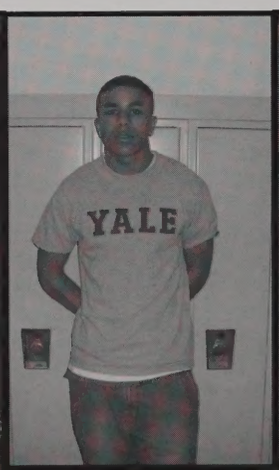


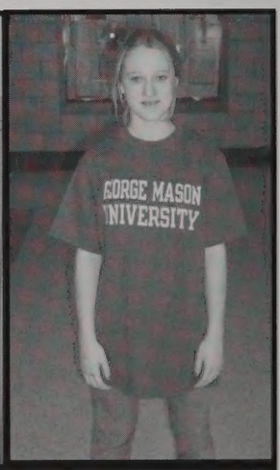
Garrett O'Brien graduated from Southern last year. He now happily attends Garrett College like many other Southern grads.

"I enjoy attending Garrett College because it helps me in preparing to transfer to a larger university."
– Garrett O'Brien
College Freshman



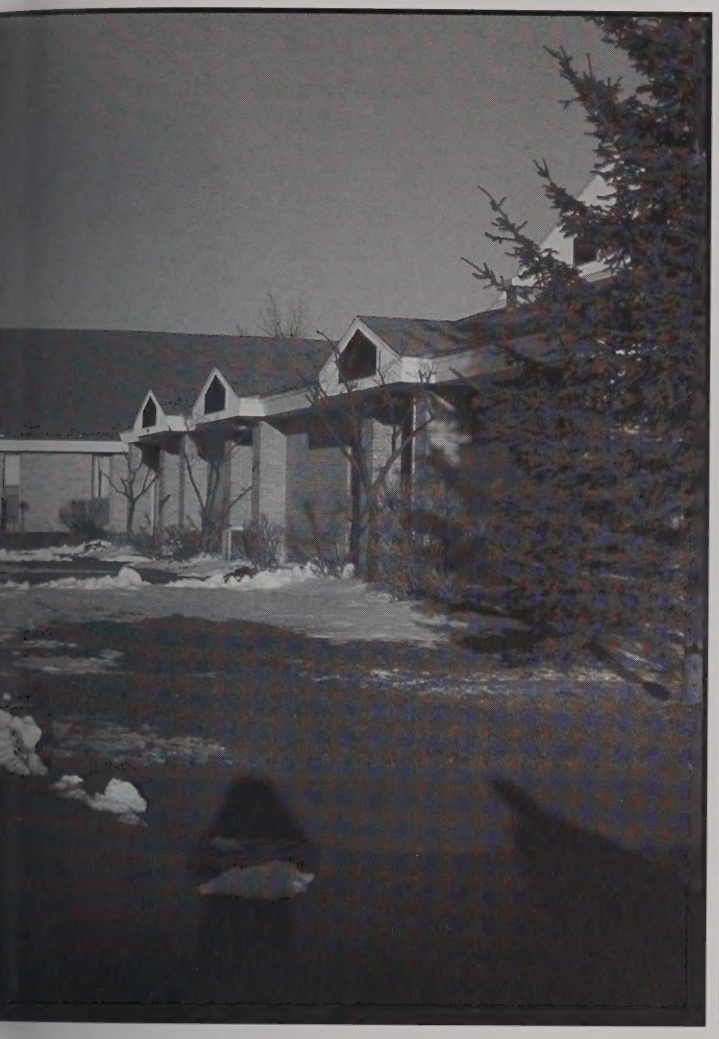



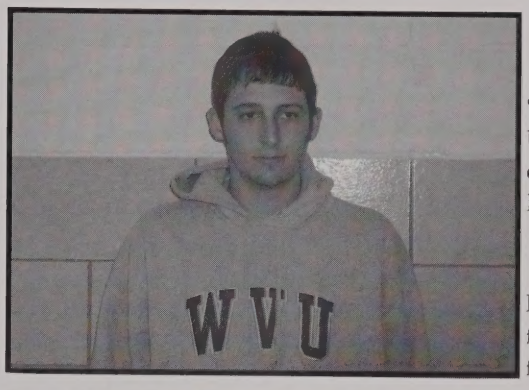
College shirts are popular among Southern students. College hopefuls sport the shirts of their would-be alma maters: Gregory Beckman, Kayla Nazelrod, Chuckie B urton, Sheena Collins, Matt Rounds, and Ryann Friend.



Anna Lucas

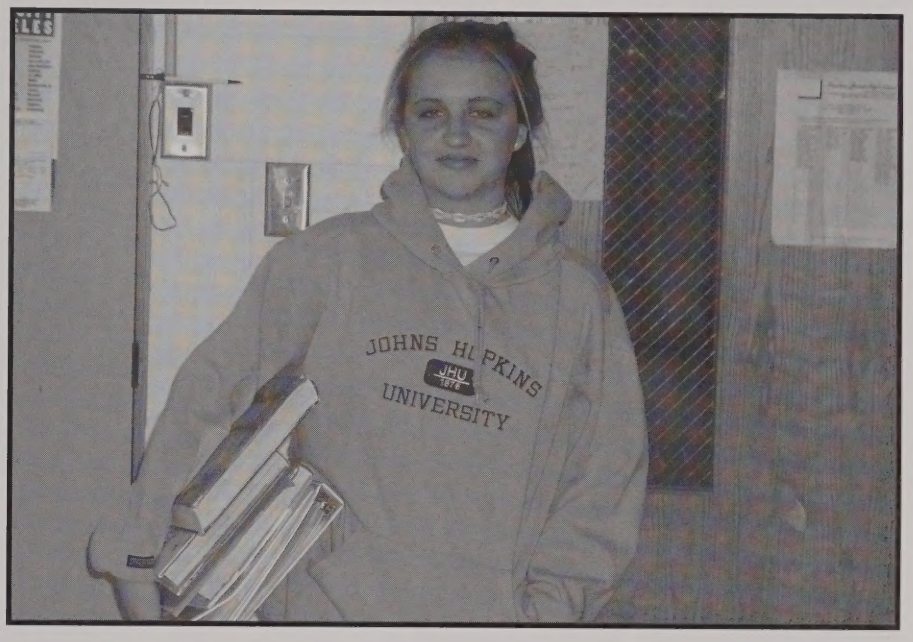
Many students at Southern decide to stay in Garrett County and attend Garrett College for a couple of years.






"I really want to go to West Virginia University because that's where all of my friends go," shared Ryan Heselbach.

Krista Hanline stated, "I am looking forward to attending college in the future."

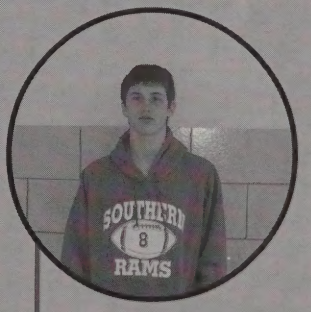


**Julia Bosley**

"My parents are making me go to Garrett College," stated Julia Bosley.

**Matt Skidmore**

"I want to go to Coastal Carolina in Myrtle Beach, NC because I like it there," explained Matt Skidmore.




**Cory Bosley**

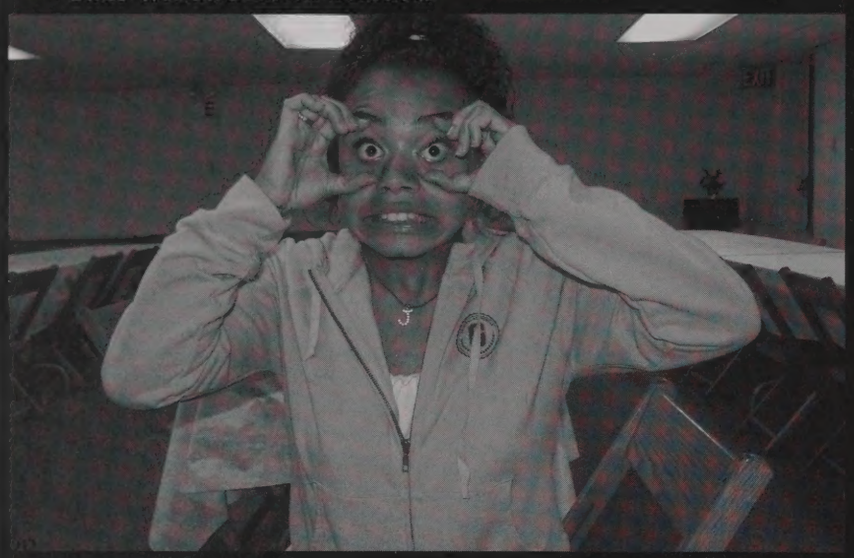
"I'm going to West Virginia University because that's where I've always wanted to go," revealed Cory Bosley.

Garrett College has been undergoing many changes. The school changed its name from Garrett Community College to Garrett College just recently. They have also remodeled campus buildings and are upgrading their technology which makes the college much more advanced.

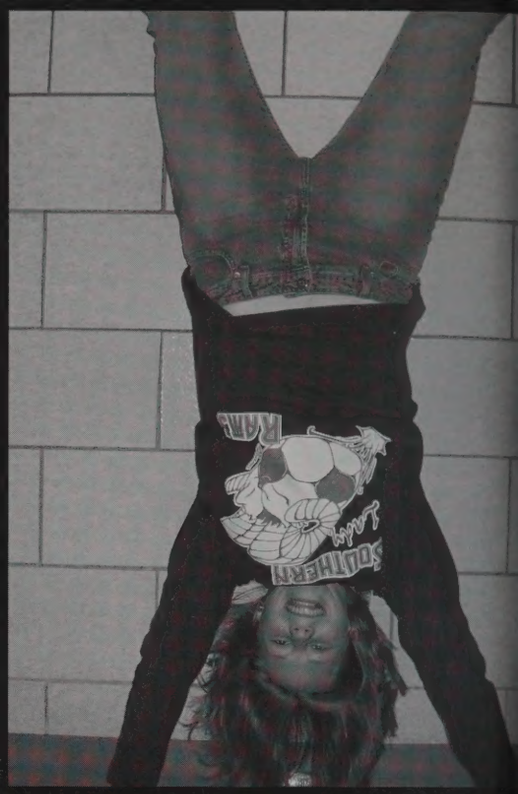
Alysha Noble

# Sophomores *with Style*

Staff Writer: Kirsten Brashear



Sophomore Jelissa Jones likes to fool around with friends and goof off! Jelissa's booming laugh can often be heard in the halls.



Ashley Metcalfe enjoys playing for soccer for the Rams.

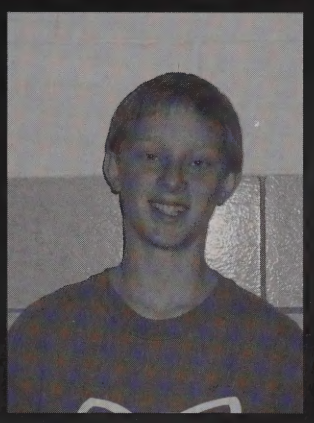
Sophomore Chelsea Wassell's volleyball skills earned her a place on the varsity team.

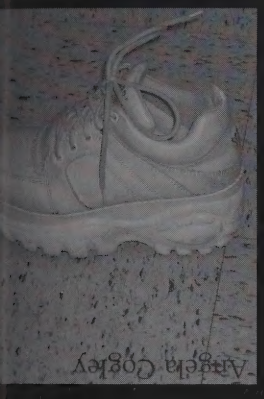
Sophomores Kenzie Craig, Courtne DiSimone, Katie Conroy, Lea Warnick, Michael Shaffer, and P DiGioia served as sophomore cla officers and assistants. The class so Sheetz coupons and Southern Hig School blankets under their dire tion.

Spencer Barnard

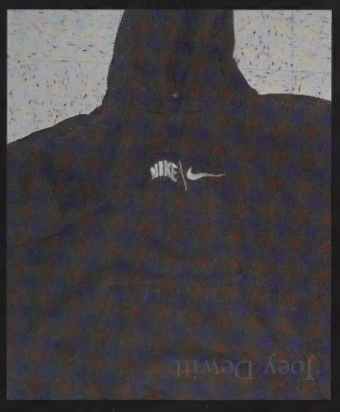
One of these objects belong to Angela Cogley. Can you guess which one?

Which of these objects belongs to Joey DeWitt?

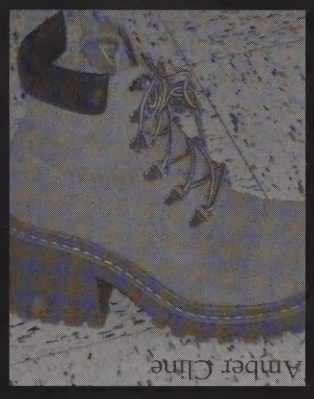




Angela Cogley



Joey Dewitt



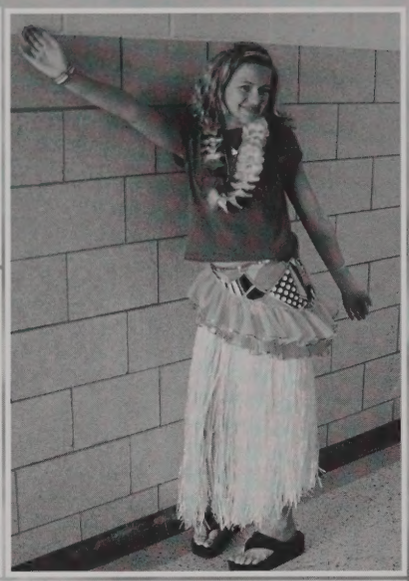
Amber Cline

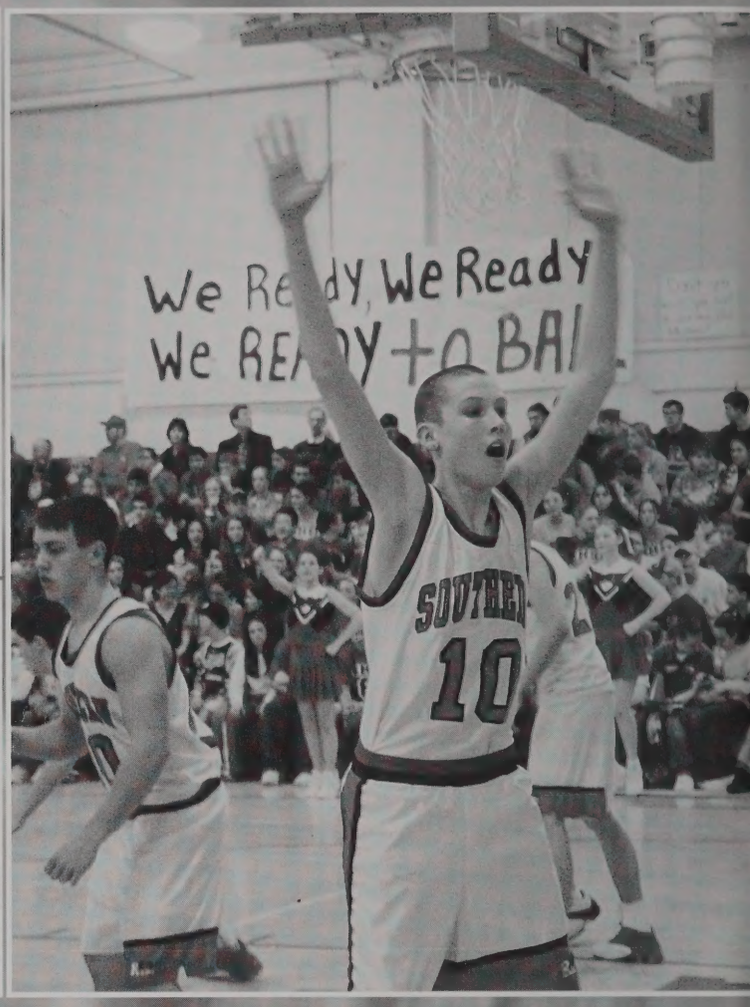
Randi Bennett makes a tremendous addition to the varsity team.

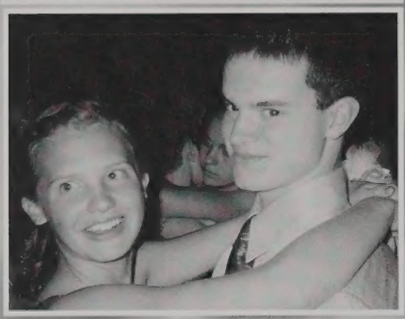
Andria Dale enjoys playing clarinet in the marching band.

Amber Cline wears one of these objects. Can you guess which one?

Sophomore Derek Upperman pole vaults while Coach Steve Cosner looks on.





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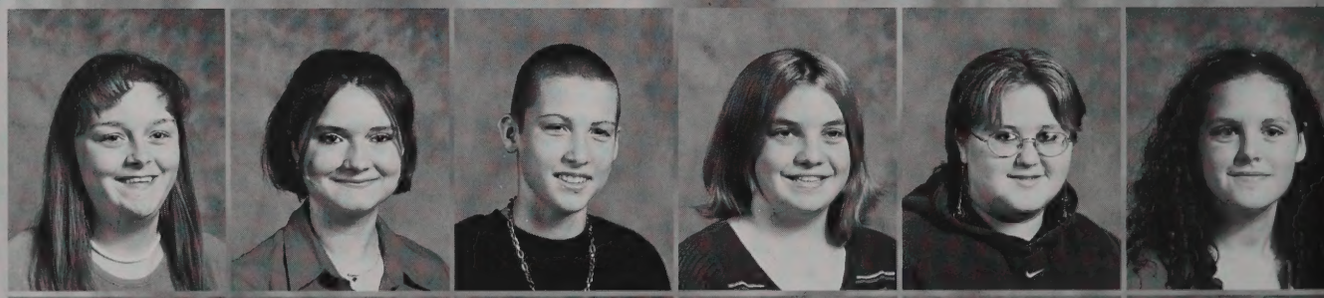

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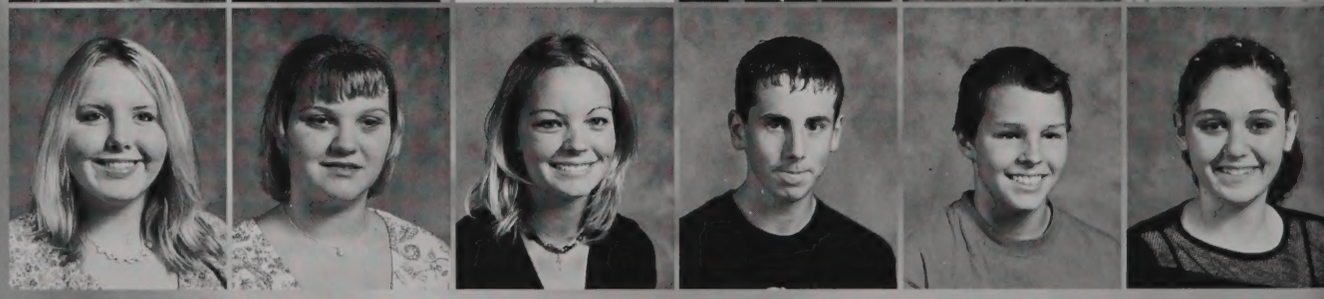

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Nicholas Dewitt
Patrick Digioia
Courtney Disimone
Bryson Dixon

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Amber Everett
Blake Fazenbaker
Linsey Ferguson
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Jeremiah King
Matthew Kisner
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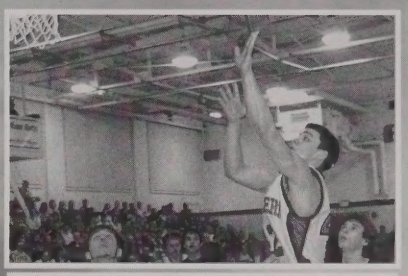

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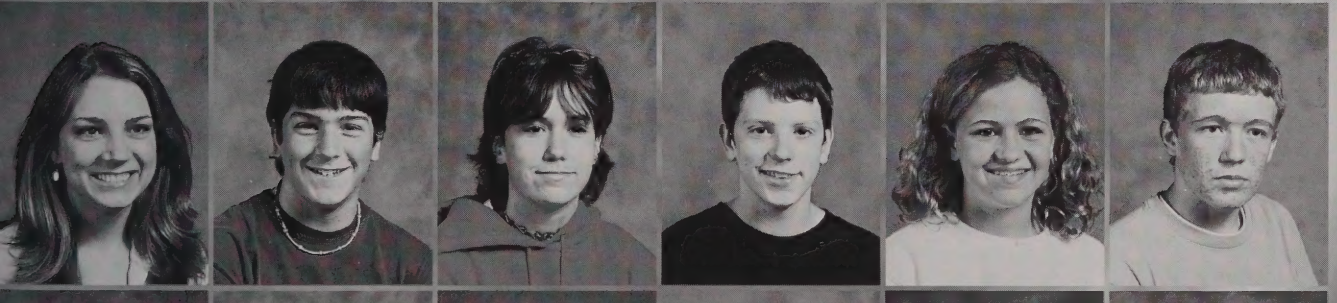

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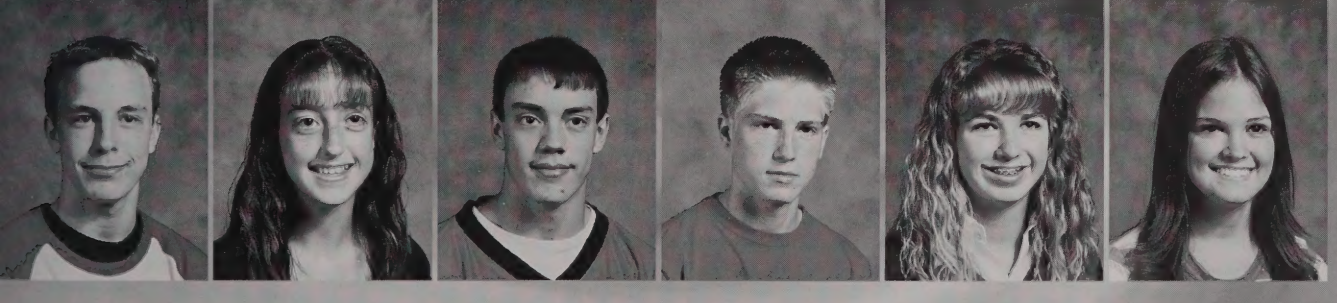

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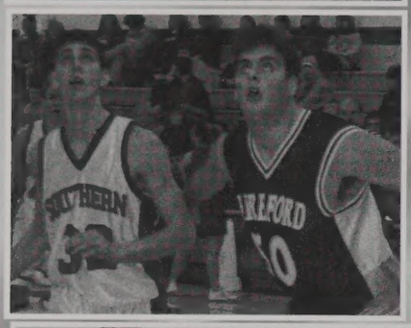

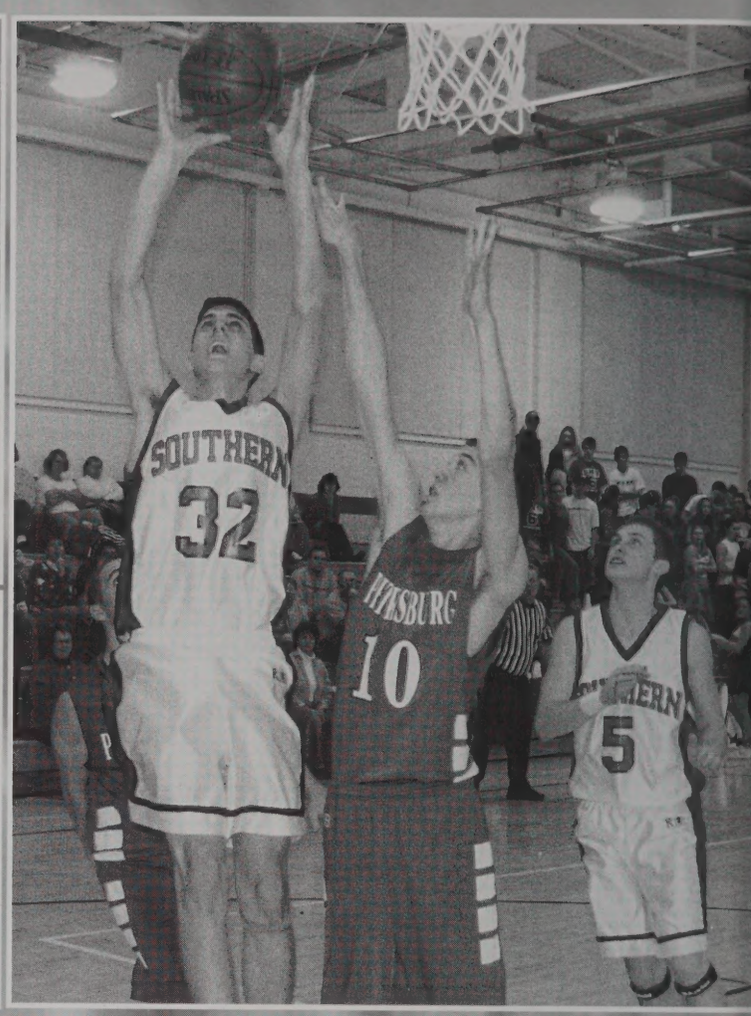

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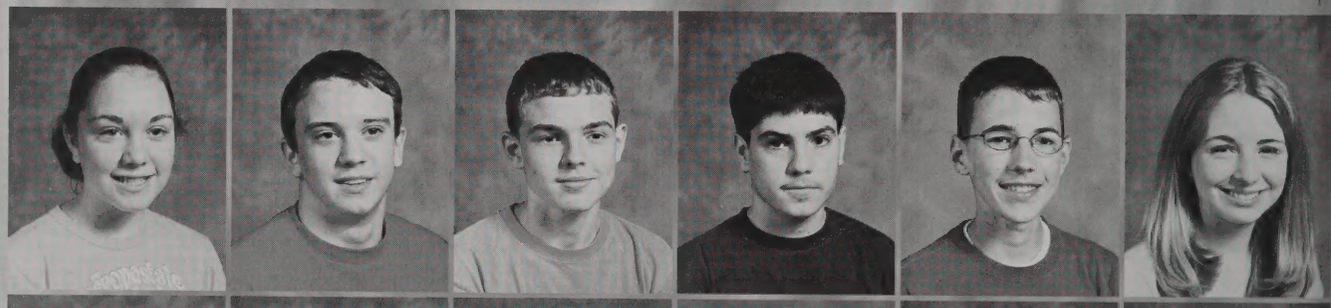

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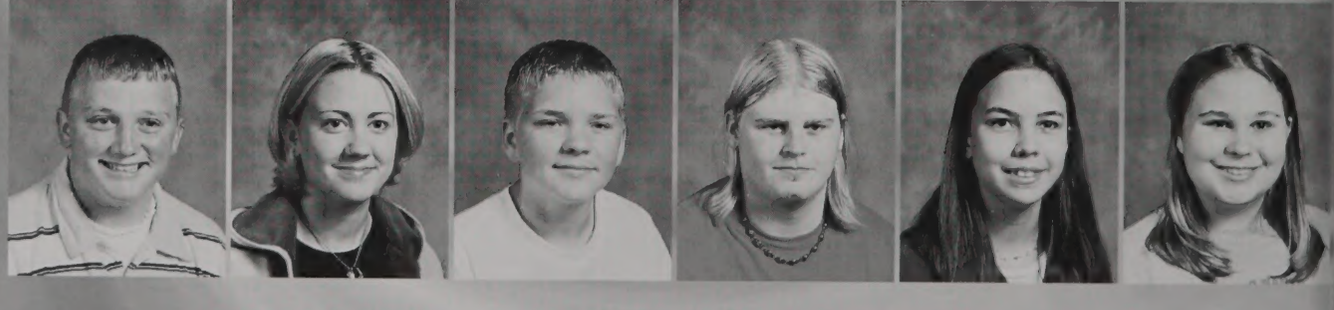

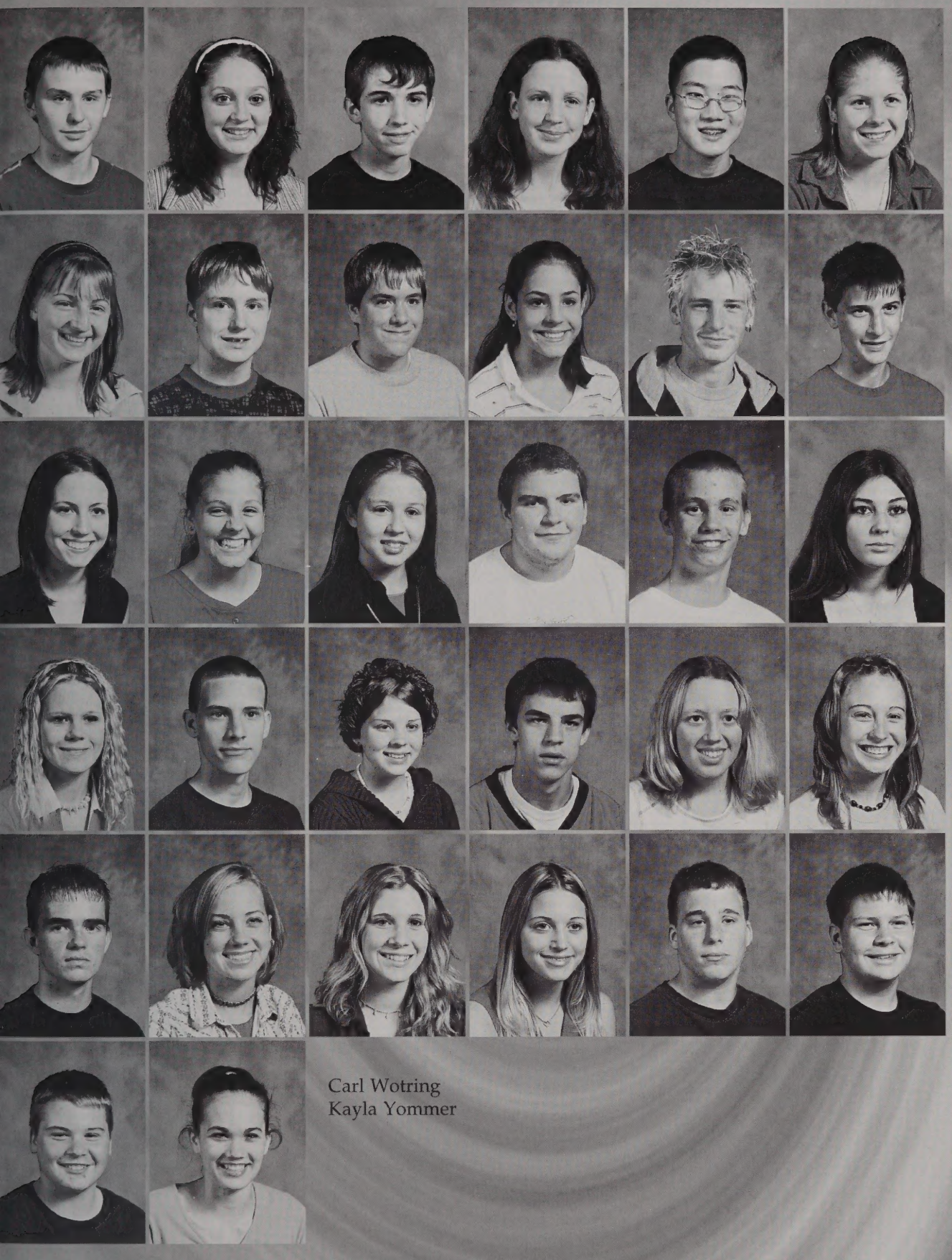

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# Giving Back

## Leaving their Mark

Staff Writer: Ivan Stutzman

Students at Southern High School excel not only in the classroom but also in extra-curricular activities and in the community. Southern students and staff take on leadership roles that affect the school, the community, and their peers.

This year Southern took two state championships. The girls varsity basketball team won the 1A Division State Championship, and Scott Wildesen went to College Park to win the Wrestling State Championship.

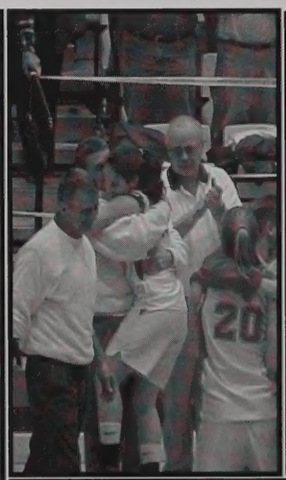
Several students were awarded positions of honor in royalty courts, including Travis Friend and Natalie Domenick, who were King and Princess of the 2003 Autumn Glory Festival. Additionally, Sharon Harvey competed for the title of Garrett County Farm Queen and earned first runner up. Students who contribute their time and talents to our community leave a lasting impression on us.

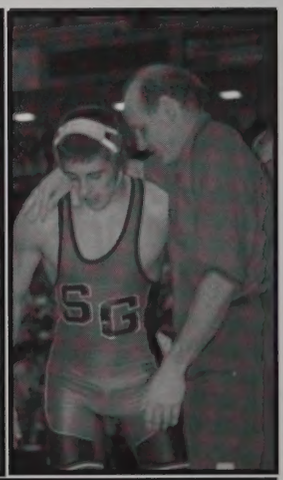
### Good Luck, Mr. Mayfield

Through the years, Mr. Mayfield has left a lasting impression on the staff and students at SHS. He will be missed as he concludes his 32 years of teaching at Southern.

"I've enjoyed working with the wonderful students, staff, and administration at Southern High School. I will miss working with the students who care about their education. I hope that people stay in touch with me in Tulsa, Oklahoma. It has been a great 32 years."

– Mr. Mayfield





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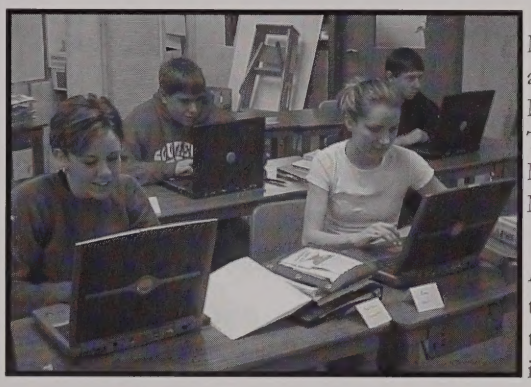
Ryan Domenick takes first place in a regional mime competition; Senior cheerleaders Melody Friend, Nikki Raynovich, and Kara Paugh; Robbin Gregg hugs her dad after winning the State Championship; State Wrestling Champion Scott Wildesen; The cast of *The Werewolf's Curse*; a stunning Sharon Harvey takes first runner up for Garrett County Farm Queen.

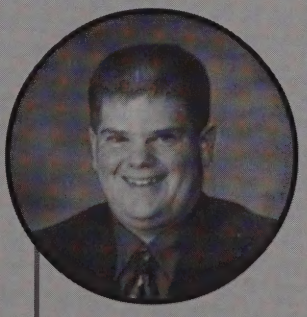
James Naylor

STATE CHAMPS! The Southern varsity girls basketball team took the 1A state title at UMBC to conclude their 2003-2004 season.

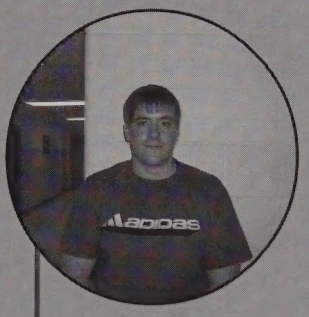


Mrs. Bender's economics students had a successful year playing the Stock Market Game. The team of Drew Taylor, Jimmy Hinebaugh, and Mike Muenchow placed first in the state of Maryland.

Alissa Garland competed this year in the varsity women's competition of the world championships. She made it to the finals and placed sixth.



**Travis Friend**
**Autumn Glory King**
"Being Autumn Glory King was a great honor; being the royalty of the parade was great!"



**Drew Taylor**
**Stock Market Game**
"It was fun playing the stock market game. I learned how to buy and sell stocks in the stock market."

**Holly Sauder**
**Service Star Recipient**
"I was really honored to receive the Service Star award because it was kind of a surprise. I was very happy to represent our school and county."

The duo of Mr. and Mrs. Bender were awarded this year for their dedication to students and the teaching craft. Mr. Bender received the award for Garrett County Teacher of the Year, while Mrs. Bender was awarded runner-up for Maryland Business Teacher of the Year.

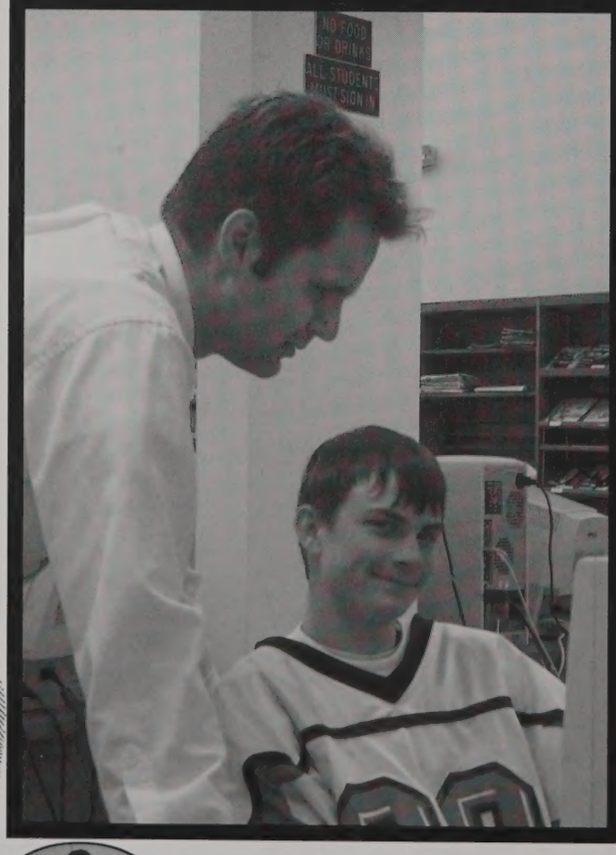
Nicole Upton

# Freshmen
## Fitting In

Staff Writer: Jennifer Rentschler

Stacey Sanders is one of several freshmen on Southern's tennis team. "We've all become very good friends," Stacey confides. "We're more than just a team now."

Bethany Jones and John Knox enjoy their first dance as Homecoming Prince and Princess. Bethany states, "I was really surprised that my peers chose me to represent our class at the dance."



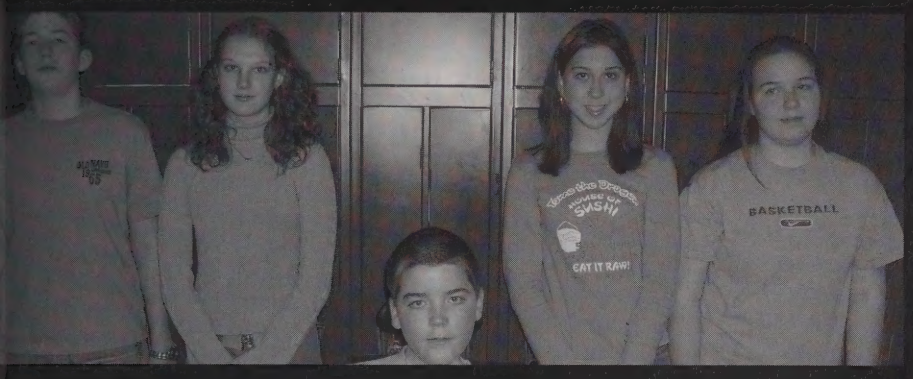

Mr. Coffman helps freshman Aaron Friend in the media center. He is hoping that the freshman seminar will help these new students with the technology available in the library.

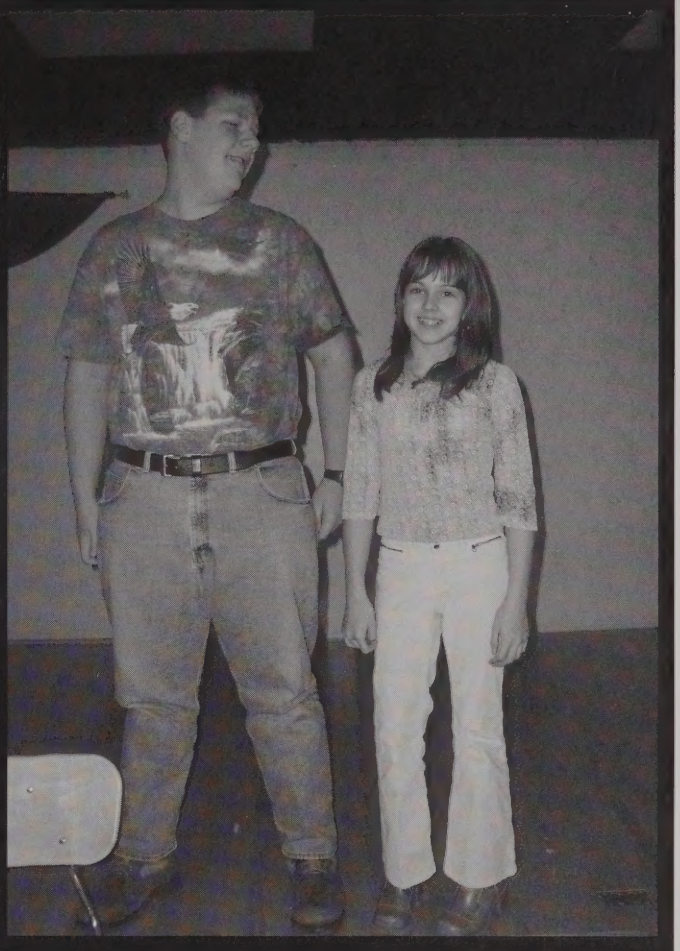
Lacy Liller, Miranda Fultz, Melissa Stewart, Bethany Jones and Anet Dishmon attended summer cheerleading camp which gave the girls a chance to work on their cheers before school started.

Mathew Burns

he freshmen class representatives are Jordan Ackerman, Hannah Storey, Cody Ferguson, Ashley Walters, and Sarah Harvey.

Jordan Ackerman shared, "I enjoy being on Student Council because it gives me a chance to share in the management of the school."



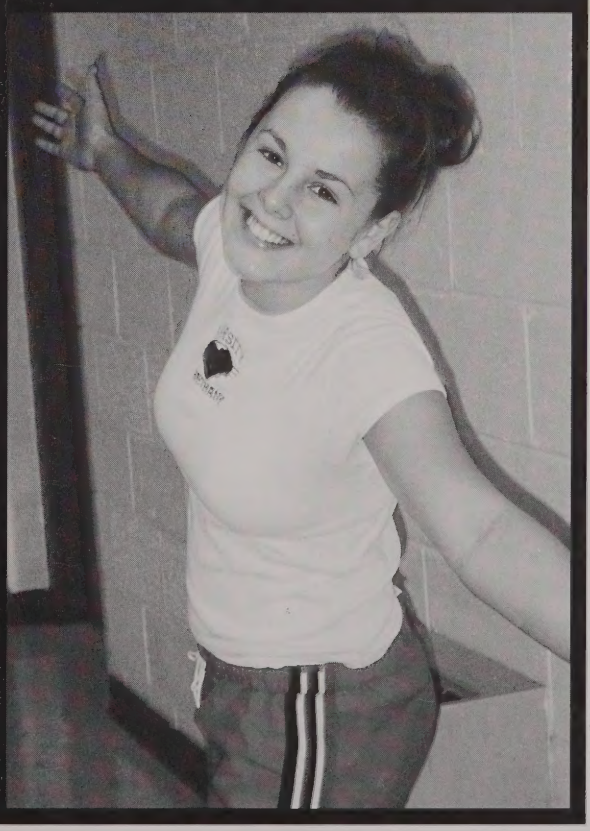


Towering above Meghan Flinn is Nathan Thomas. Like Meghan, most freshmen deal with being smaller than the upperclassmen. Others, such as Nathan, easily fit in with the majority of students at Southern High School.

Meghan Flinn, freshman class president, and Danielle Daniels, freshmen class secretary, work together to lead the class of 2007.

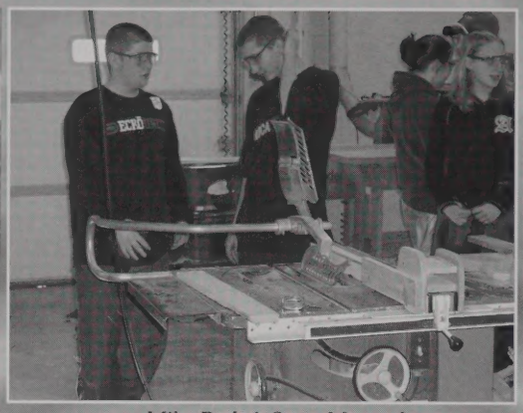
Megan Viar, the only freshman to land a role in the school play, is a visual as well as a performing artist. The portrait used in the play only took herthirty minutes to draw.

Bethany Jones, one of two freshmen on the varsity cheerleading squad, commented, "Being a varsity cheerleader is a lot of hard work, but it has really paid off."



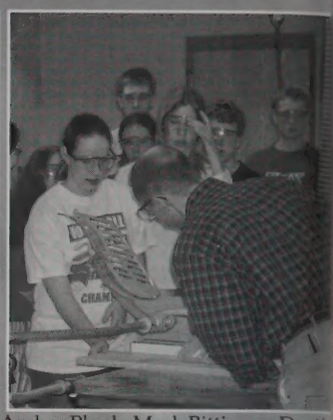
Daniel Carr

Mike Edwards, Dustin Shreve, & Mr. Ford



Mike Park & Steve Morozek

Amber Plank & Amanda Ashby



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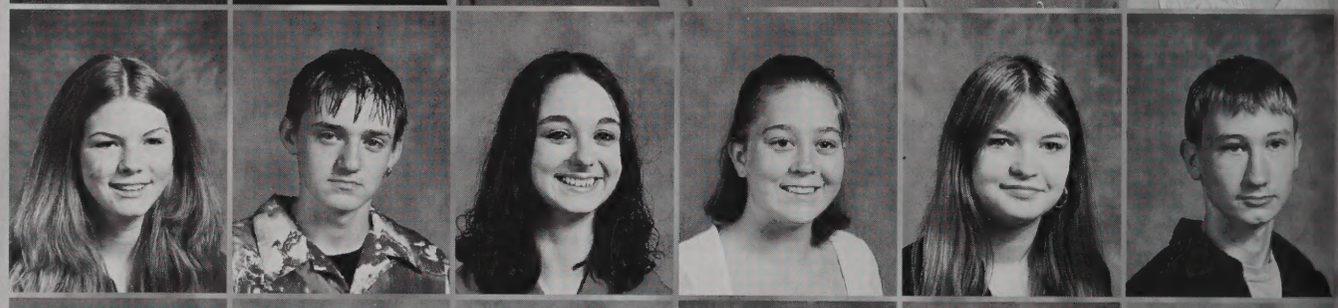

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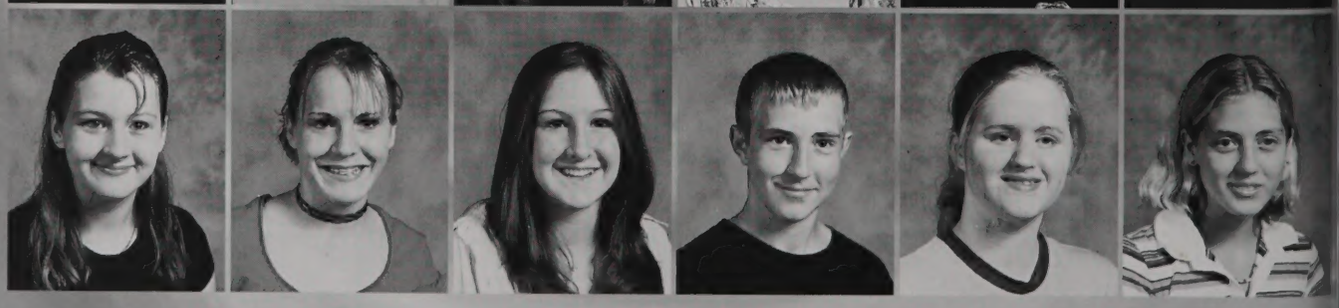

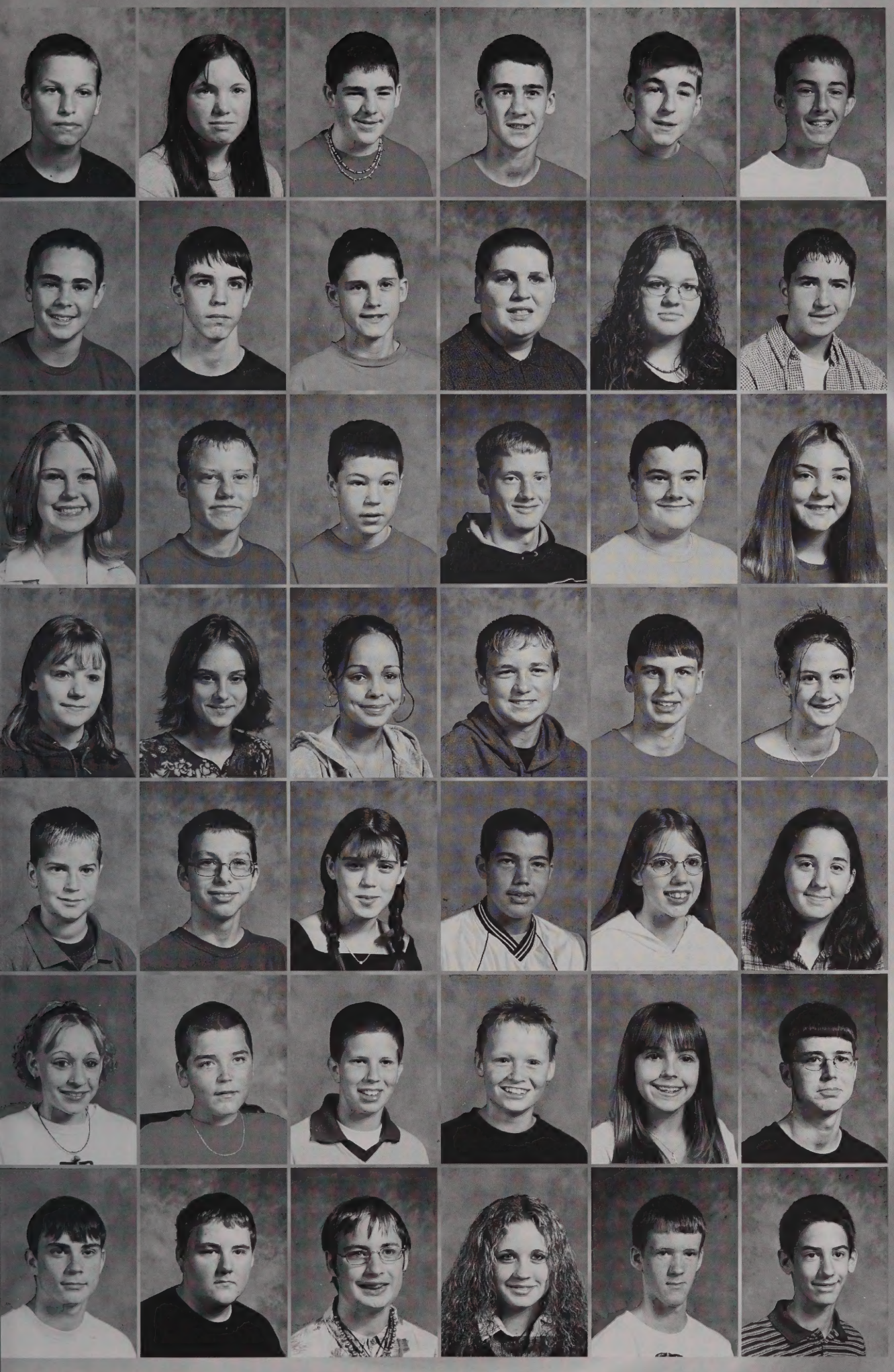

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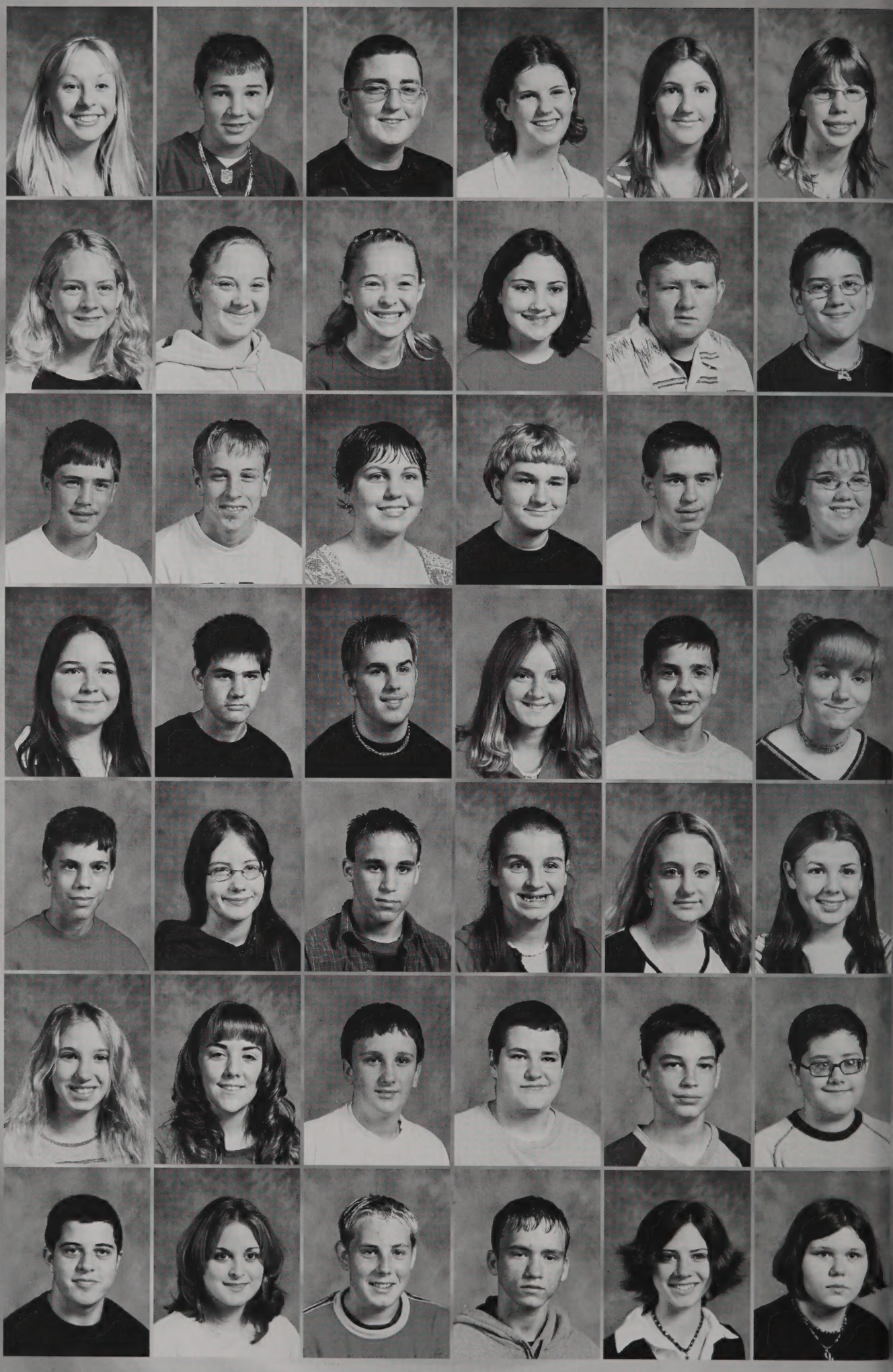

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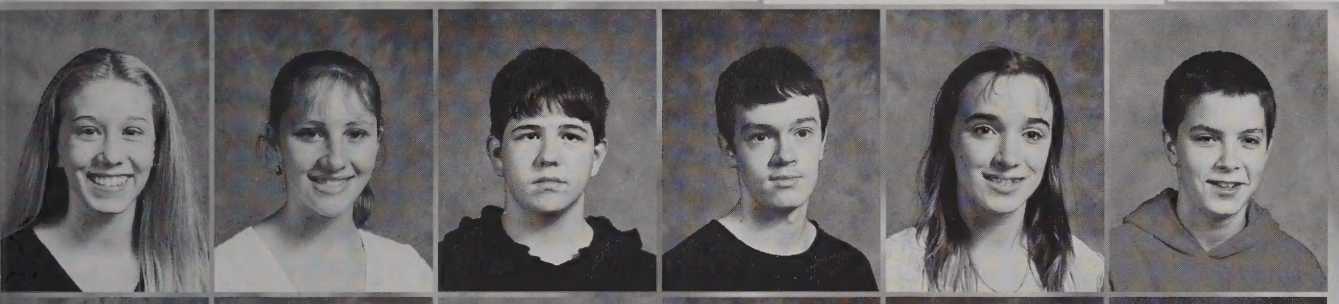

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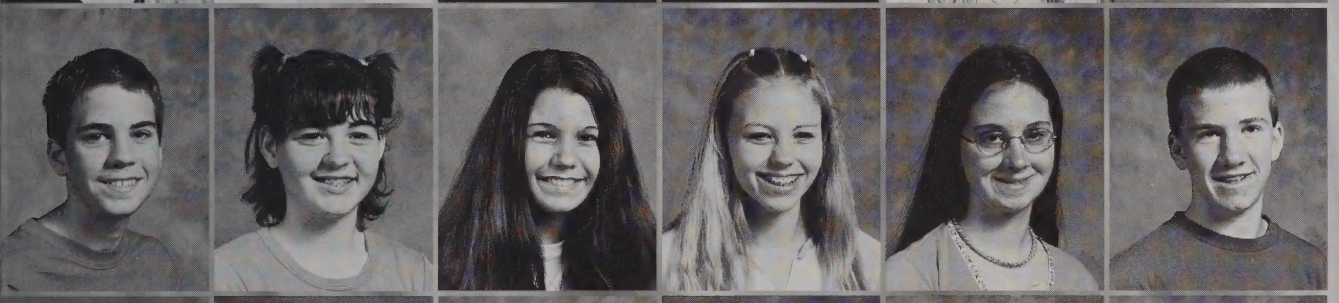

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Katherine Oliverio
Susanna Pannell
Michael Park

Alex Patrucco
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Lacy Paugh
Amanda Perry
Jessica Petrella
Eric Pike

Theatre's a Drag: Logan Craig, Taylor Crabtree, & Seth Fike

Conspiracy in *The Murder Room*: Evan Thayer, Megan Viar, Adam Sincell, & Colleen Watson

Theatre I students making Greek masks

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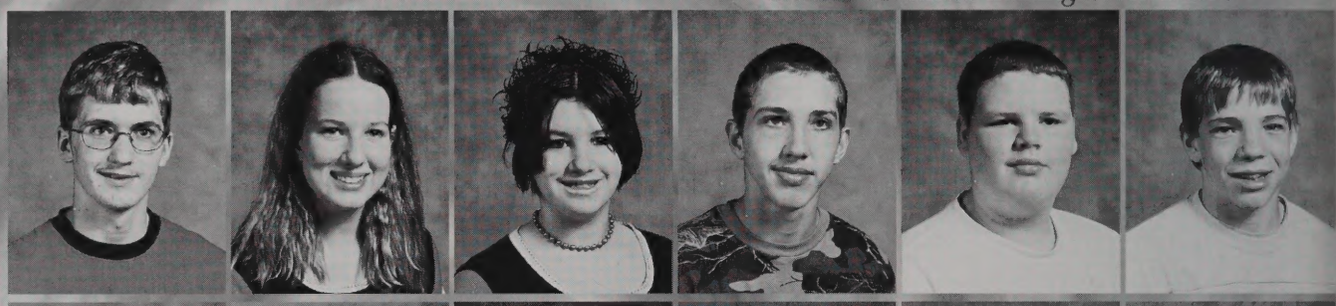

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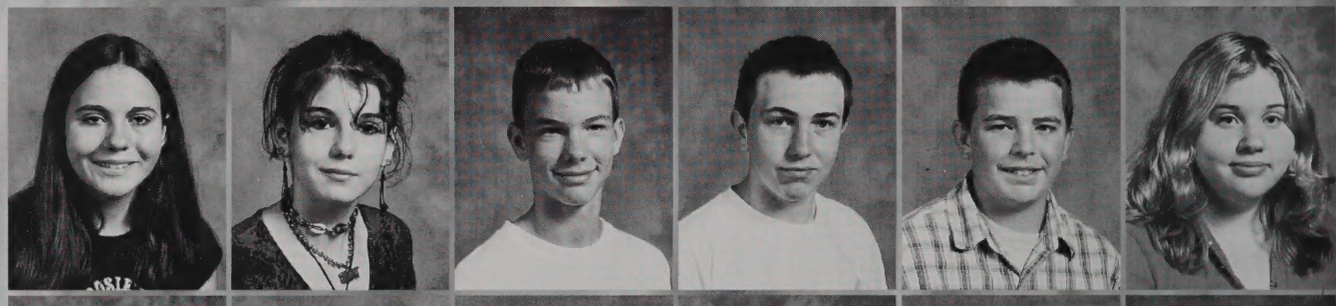

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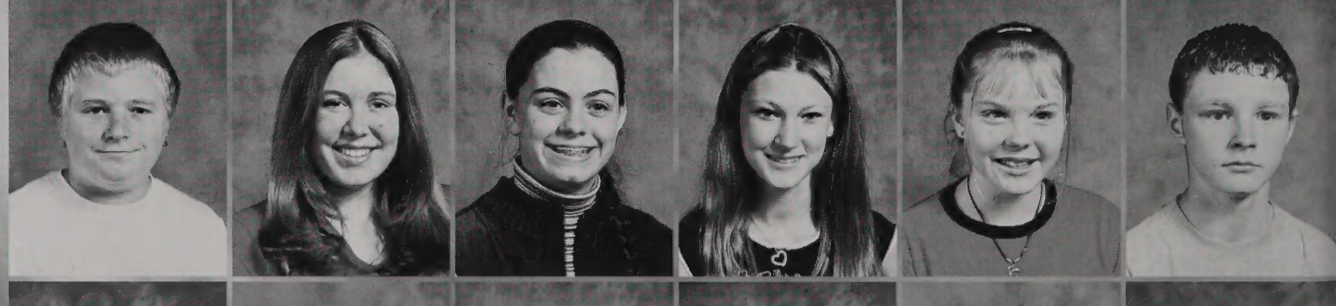

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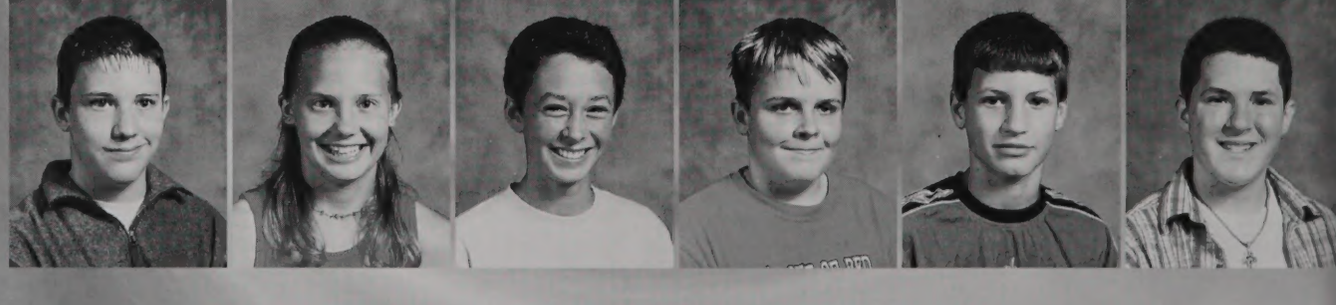

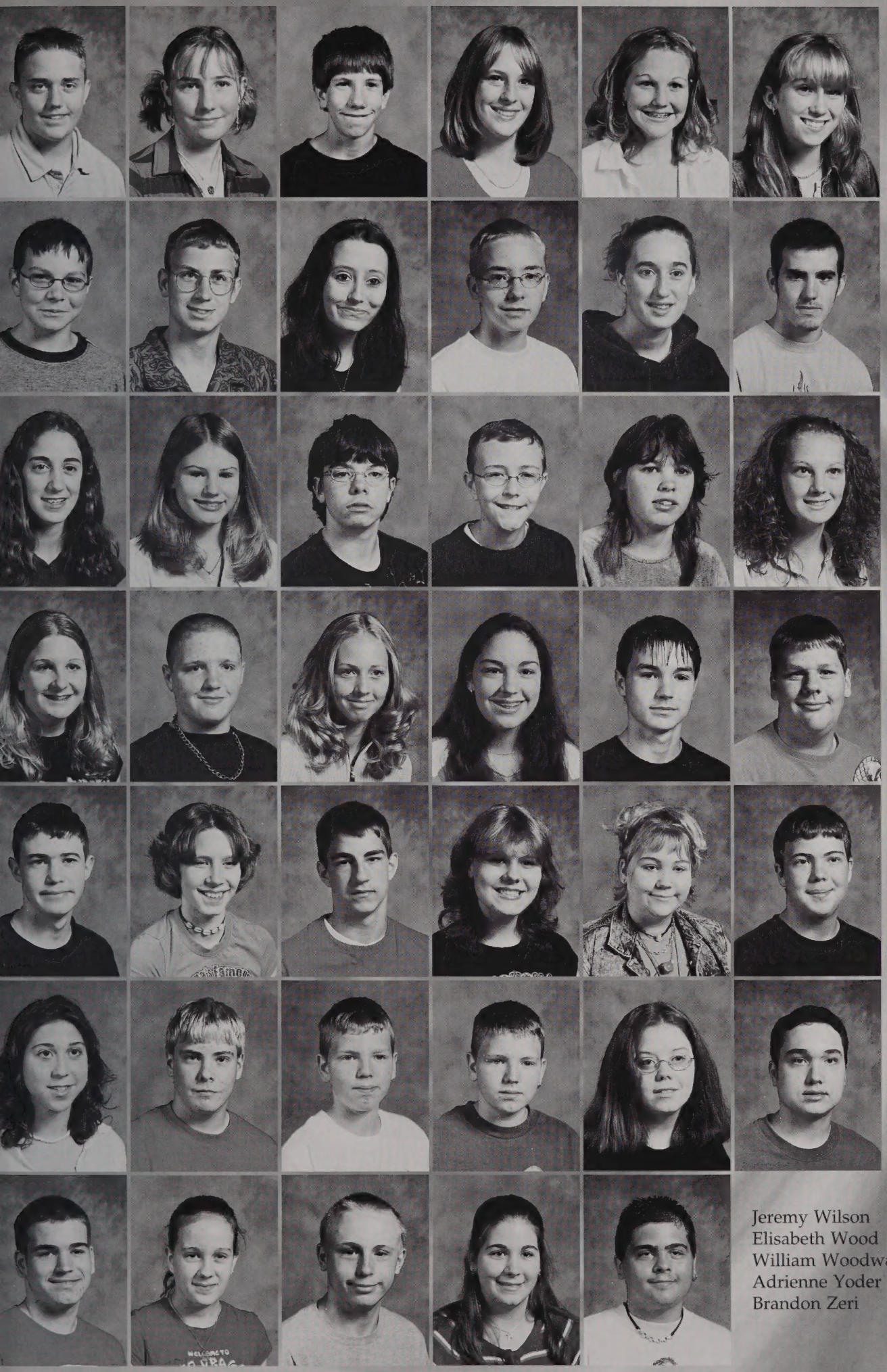

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# A Fresh Start

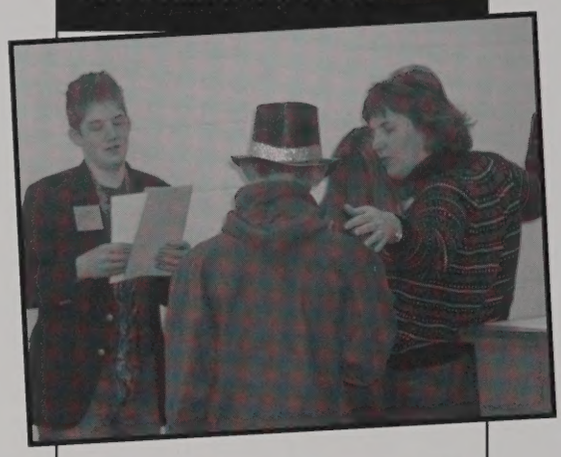
## Freshman Seminar

Staff Writer: Chelsea LaRue

The purpose of the freshman seminar is to help freshmen become familiar with high school expectations. The statistics are clear that if incoming freshmen are successful, they are not nearly as at risk for dropping out of school. The focus of the nine sessions is to provide students the skills, information, background, and support needed to move on to the next grade level.

The ten miniperiod sessions are CTE Exploration, Financial Planning, Media Exploration, Internet Research, Guidance Skills, RAMaturity, Character Education, Portfolio Development, Speech/Communication, and Reading Enhancement. Sara Beckman stated, " I liked freshman seminar, because Mrs. Henline's class was a blast and we got to talk to our friends."

### A Formal Affair



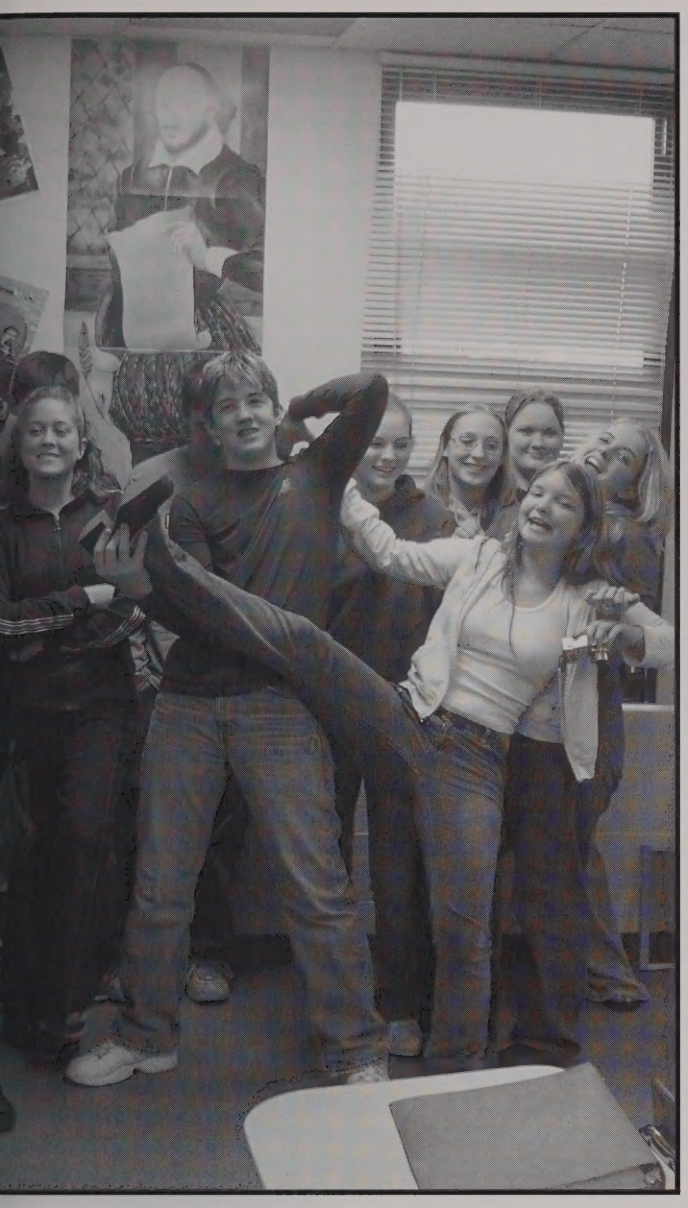
Jordan Ackerman and Josh Armstrong learn the proper etiquette for a formal occasion in Mrs. Bender's freshman seminar.

> "It was fascinating to learn the proper etiquette for a sophisticated place."
> – Jordan Ackerman

Autumn Wood and Megan Viar listen as Mrs. Proudfoot explains the purpose and process of completing a career pathway. Susanna Pannell, Josh Armstrong, Jimmy Sharpless, and Corey Reckart enjoy freshman seminar. Danielle Daniels and Ryan Domenick are glad to be in the same freshman seminar group. Meghan Flinn stated, "Freshman seminar can be fun at times and boring at others, but overall it is a good thing."



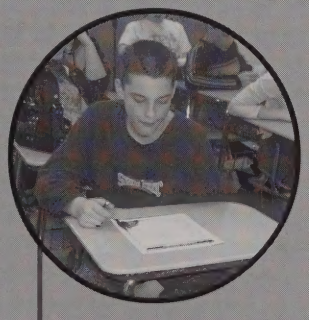
Sarah Beckman



Tara Ballinger states that she likes freshman seminar because, "It is a lot of fun to hang out with your friends and learn things that are useful."

Danielle Daniels confesses, "I like freshman seminar because it gives us time to be with our friends."

Matt Domanski, Cody Ferguson, Seth Fike, Matt Fitzwater, and Ryan DeWitt enjoy the Speech and Communication portion of freshman seminar, led by Ms. Cindy Stacey.



**Robbie Keiper**

"I like freshman seminar because Mrs. Henline is a very nice teacher, and she has fun with us when we're working."

**Heather Ashby**

"I like freshman seminar because, in Mrs. Bender's class, we got to dress up and act like we were at a restaurant."

**Bethany Jones**

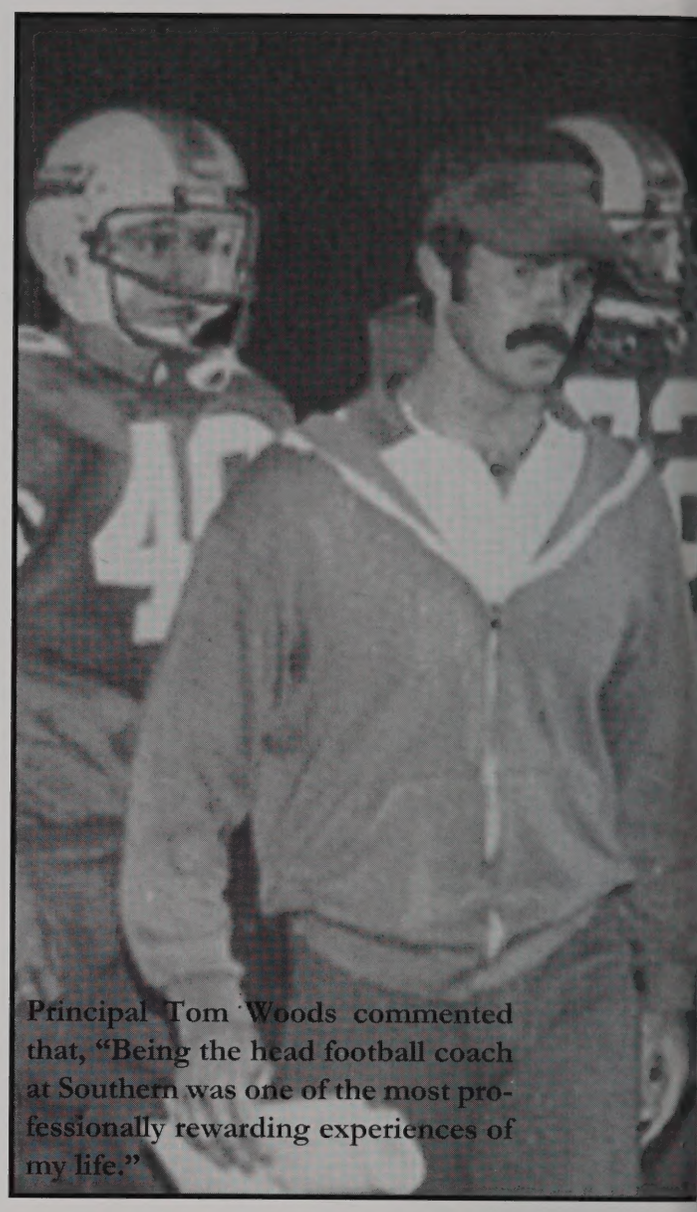
"Freshman Seminar is groovy and I like the movies we watch during class."

Ashley Brown, Amber Brant, and Erin Browning work on resumes to be included in portfolios in Mrs. Doyle's freshman seminar.

Zachary Keefer

Mr. Barry Shaffer and his lovely date seem to be enjoying themselves at the 1984 Prom. Mr. Shaffer is making quite a fashion statement with his snazzy tuxedo and matching hat!

Mrs. Kimberly (Sanders) Lambert is letting loose in 1980!



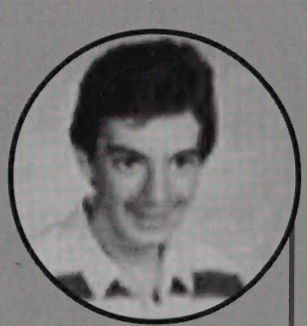
**Principal Tom Woods commented that, "Being the head football coach at Southern was one of the most professionally rewarding experiences of my life."**

**Mr. Matt Redinger**

Mr. Matt Redinger was involved in basketball and tennis throughtout all four years of high school. He was very athletic!

**Mr. Charles Plauger**

As a junior at Southern High School in 1989, Mr. Plauger said, "I enjoyed my experience as a student at Southern and now as a teacher."



**Mr. Jamie Beeman**

Mr. Jamie Beeman was involved with VICA (10-12) and track (9-12). He even starred in the senior class play!

Mrs. Diana (Custer) Marks graduated from Southern in 1977.

Mr. Ed Wildesen graduated from Southern in 1977.

Elizabeth Rush

# Faculty

## A Peek Into the Past...

Staff Writer: Nicole Tressler

**Blast From the Past**

Teachers Mr. Barry Shaffer and Mrs. Joan Lambert are transformed into previous members of Southern's football team and cheerleading squad for a pep rally (1984).

"Reminiscing about the playoffs during a pep assembly, Mr. Shaffer and Mrs.Lambert had a ball mimicking what the players would be like when they are old and in the nursing home."

–Mr. Dave Mayfield

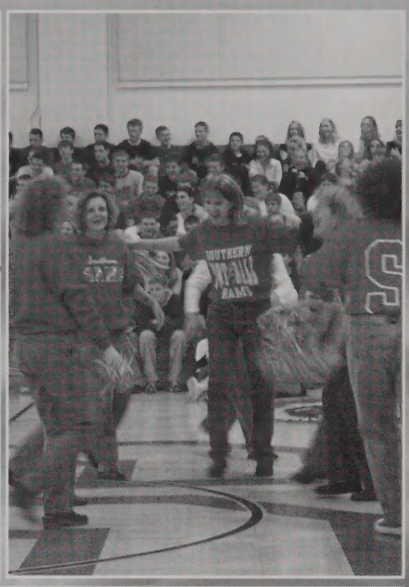
The majority of students who graduate from Southern leave the area once their high school experience comes to an end. However, some choose to stay and pursue careers here.

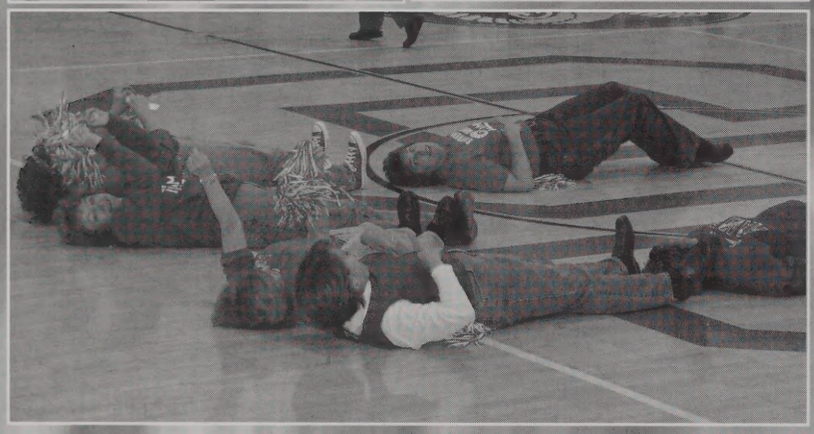
A number of the faculty at Southern went to school here as well. Ms. Updyke commented that, "It is a lot different teaching at Southern versus being a student here because I can't goof off as much."

With the changing of the faculty, the school has changed as well. Mr. Mayfield said, "Now the facilities are much nicer and there is a lot more school spirit." Although the school has changed, some things have remained the same. Southern will always be a place where students can come and learn life's valuable lessons and make lasting impressions.

Mr. Fred Gregg; Mr. Lowell Leitzel; Mr. Rodger Bowman in 1978; Mrs. Kayla (Savage) Cathell in 1977; Mr. Stephen Cosner in 1978; Mrs. LuAnn (Gregg) Watson in 1982; Mr. Richard Clever; Ms. Christa Updyke in 1989; Mr. Bill Freyman in 1984

Jason Sines





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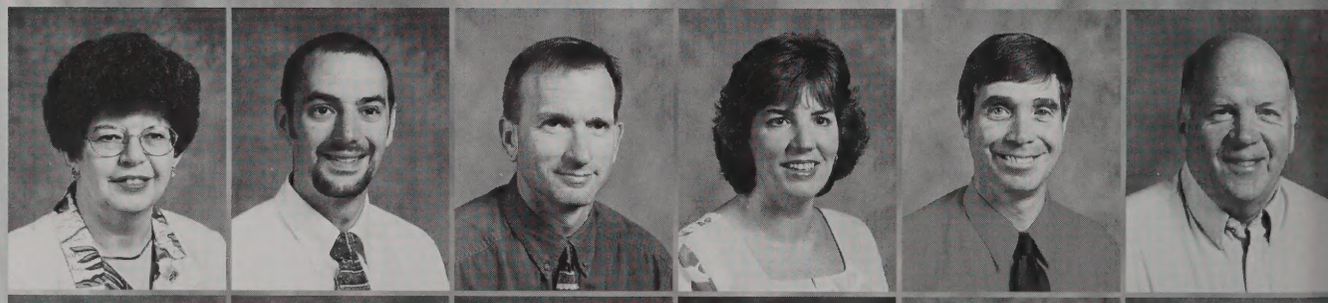

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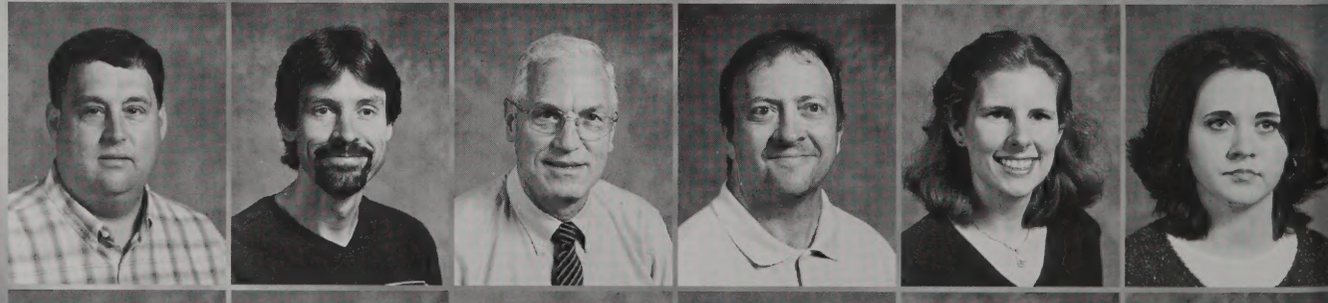

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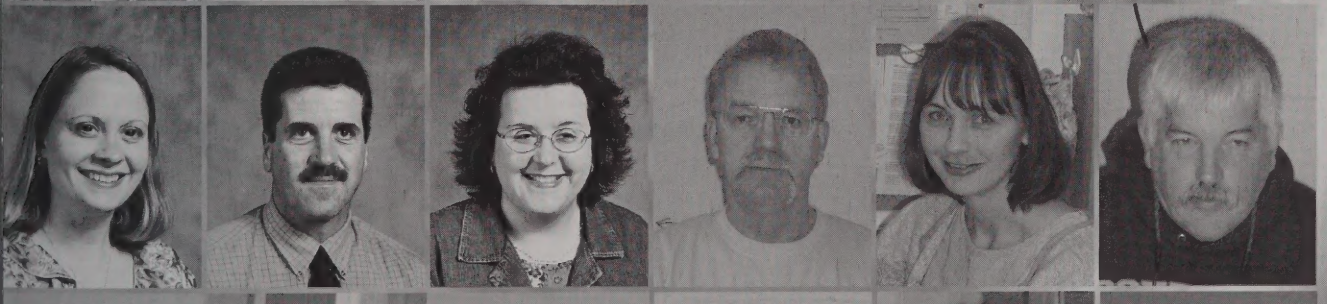

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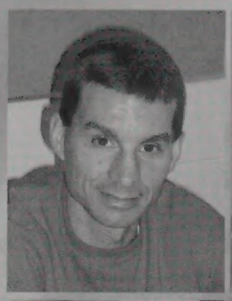
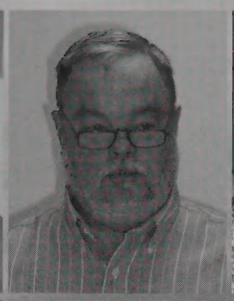

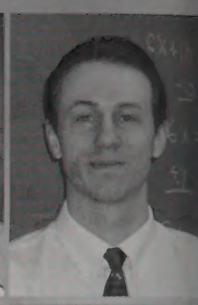

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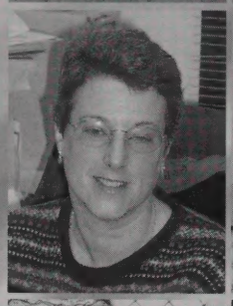
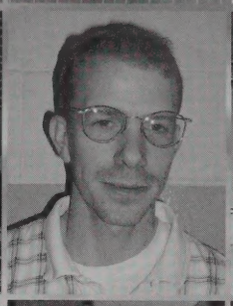

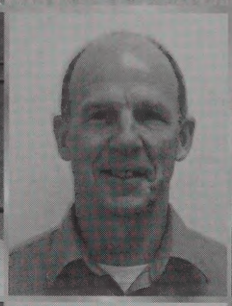
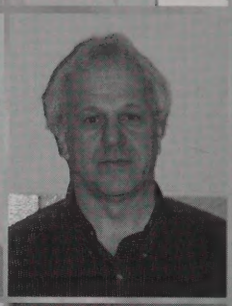

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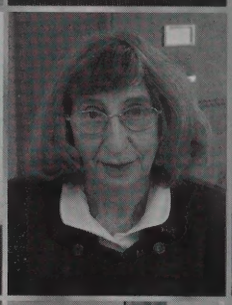
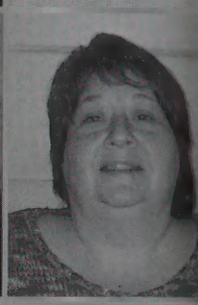

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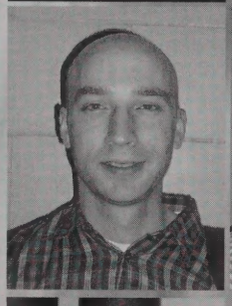
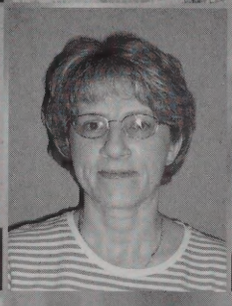

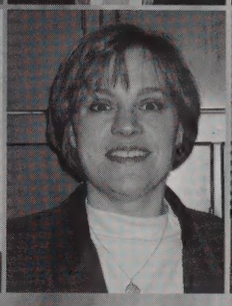

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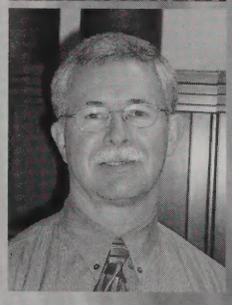

# We Remember September

# Friends Til The End

Staff Writer: Jasmine Scheffel

High school is a wonderful time to make new friends and spend quality time with the old ones.True friends are honest and trustworthy. Secrets are safe, and decisions are always supported. "My best friends are always there for me and help me through the good and bad times," stated Nicole Tressler.

Real friends will always be a shoulder to cry on or a person to lean on. Friends have a great impact on the lives of others. They make life better and happier. Close friends should be acknowledged.

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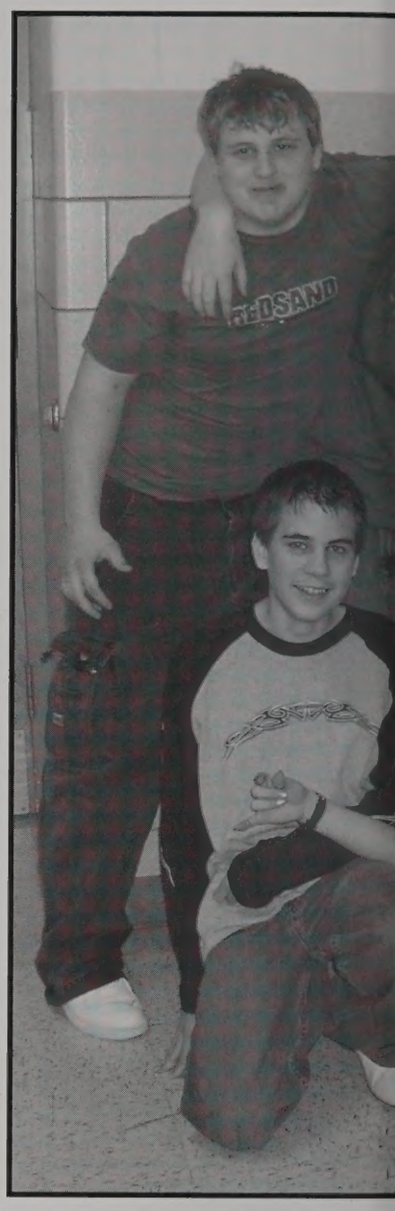
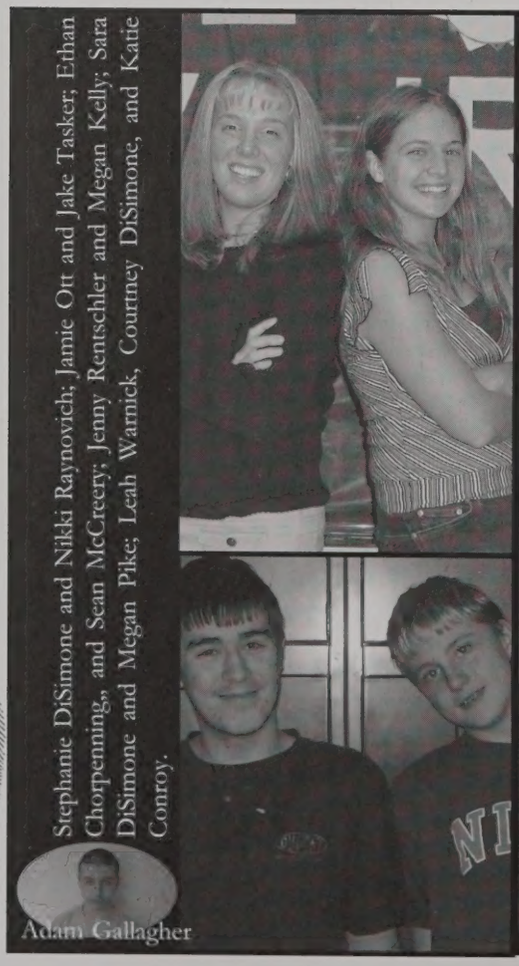
"The time I've spent with Lauren Shue and Jessica Petrella have been the best times of my life," said Ashley Rohrbaugh.

"The best mirror is an old friend."
- George Herbert



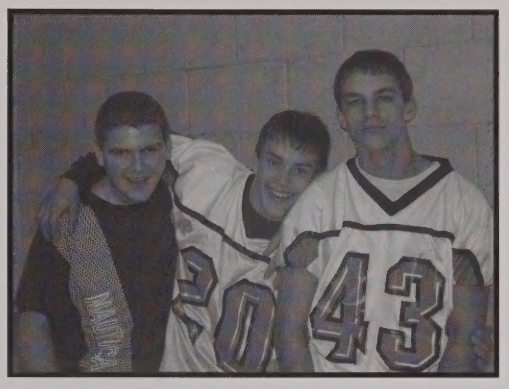


Stephanie DiSimone and Nikki Raynovich; Jamie Ott and Jake Tasker; Ethan Chorpenning,, and Sean McCreery; Jenny Rentschler and Megan Kelly; Sara DiSimone and Megan Pike; Leah Warnick, Courtney DiSimone, and Katie Conroy.



Adam Gallagher

"Friends stay together forever," Jade Ream boldly declares as she and her buds hang out in Southern's hallways.



"Troy Townsend and David Reams are my best buds. We've had some great memories," said Andrew VanBogelen.

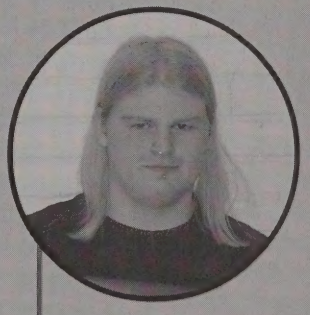
Craig Conroy, Derek Nutter, Zach Uphold, Brandon Bazemore, Michael McCauley, and Grant McDonald show their love for one another.

**Natasha Tasker**

"A friend is someone you can tell secrets to without the whole school knowing the next day."

**Adrienne Yoder**

"Friends are people that you can always talk to and share great memories with."



**Mark Sliger**

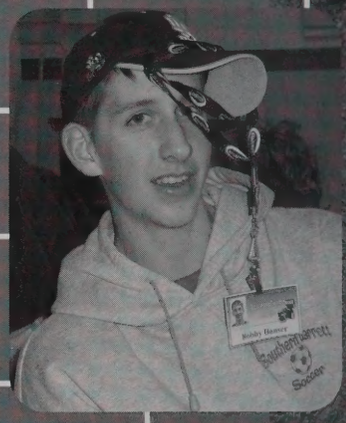
"My friends stick with me through the good times and the bad."

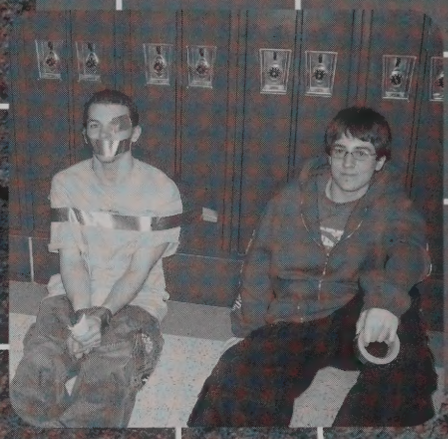
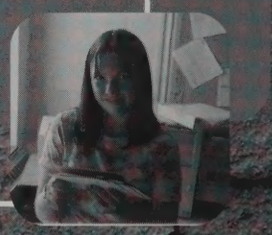
"Robbin Gregg, Casey Taylor and I have been best friends since middle school. We enjoy playing sports, watching movies, and eating together," stated Justine Pagenhardt.

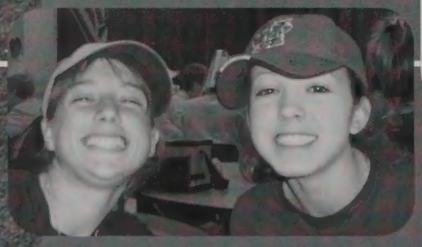
Chelsea LaRue

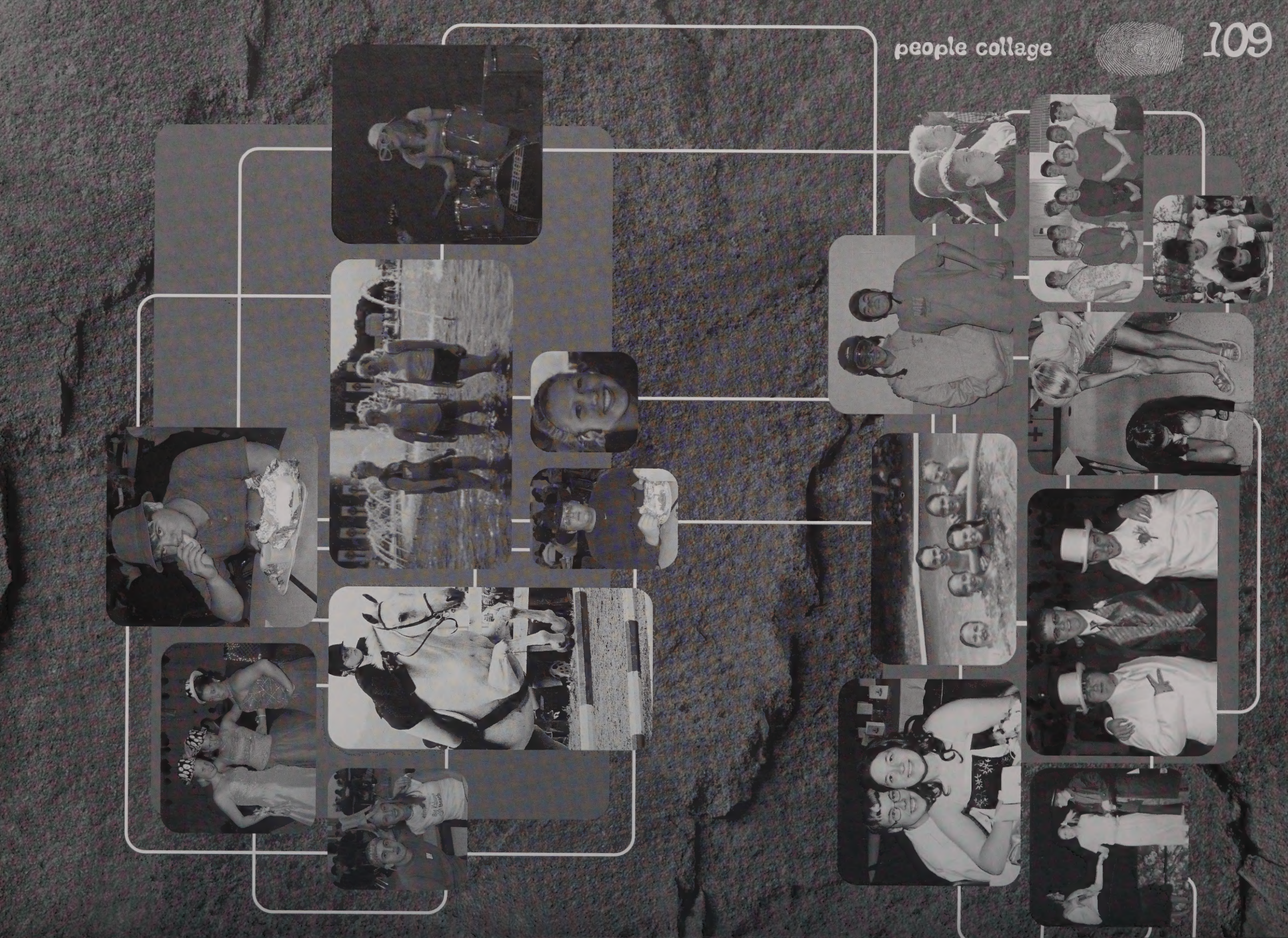
# Impressive People

## The Faces of 2003-2004







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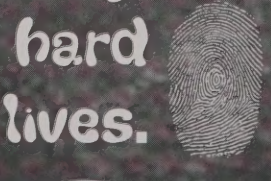
Ryan Heselbach

# sports

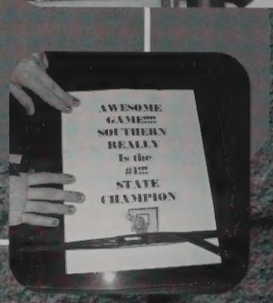
Each year, Southern's athletes prove that they deserve to be competing amongst the best. Many of the teams excelled by winning titles and awards. Even though Southern's success on the scoreboard is excellent, it is the attitude and the character of the athletes that sets them apart from the rest. Ultimately, the lessons of determination, dedication, and hard work will remain with them for the rest of their lives.



Keisha Glotfelty

# We Will Rock You

## The Best of SHS Sports 2003-2004



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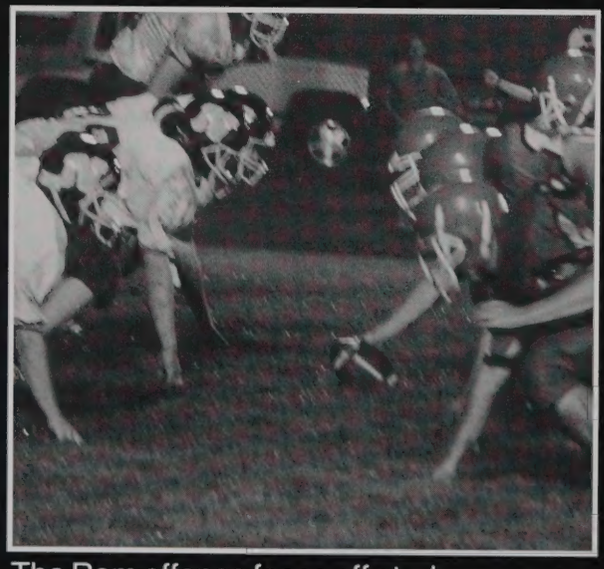
# Game Time

Staff Writer: Amanda Sisler

## *in the crowd*

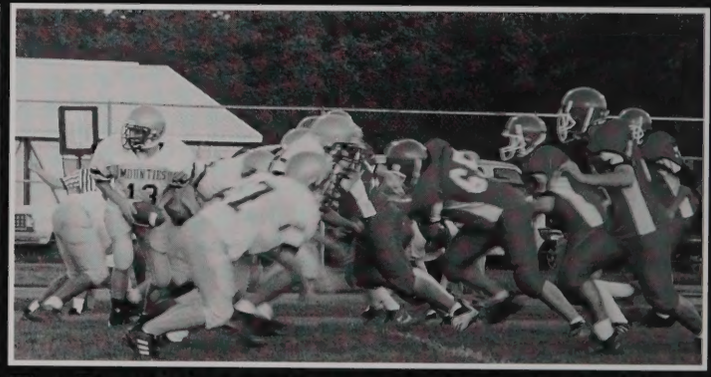
At the Fall Sports Awards, Coach Jim Bosley said, "The team had a tremendous season." This year's team consisted of over forty players, half of which were freshmen. They won both games against the Northern Huskies and had a close loss to Keyser. Sophomore Jason Wakefield served as quarterback and helped the team to tie the school record with eight wins and two losses. Thus, Southern JV Football left its mark on the Ram's home field this season.





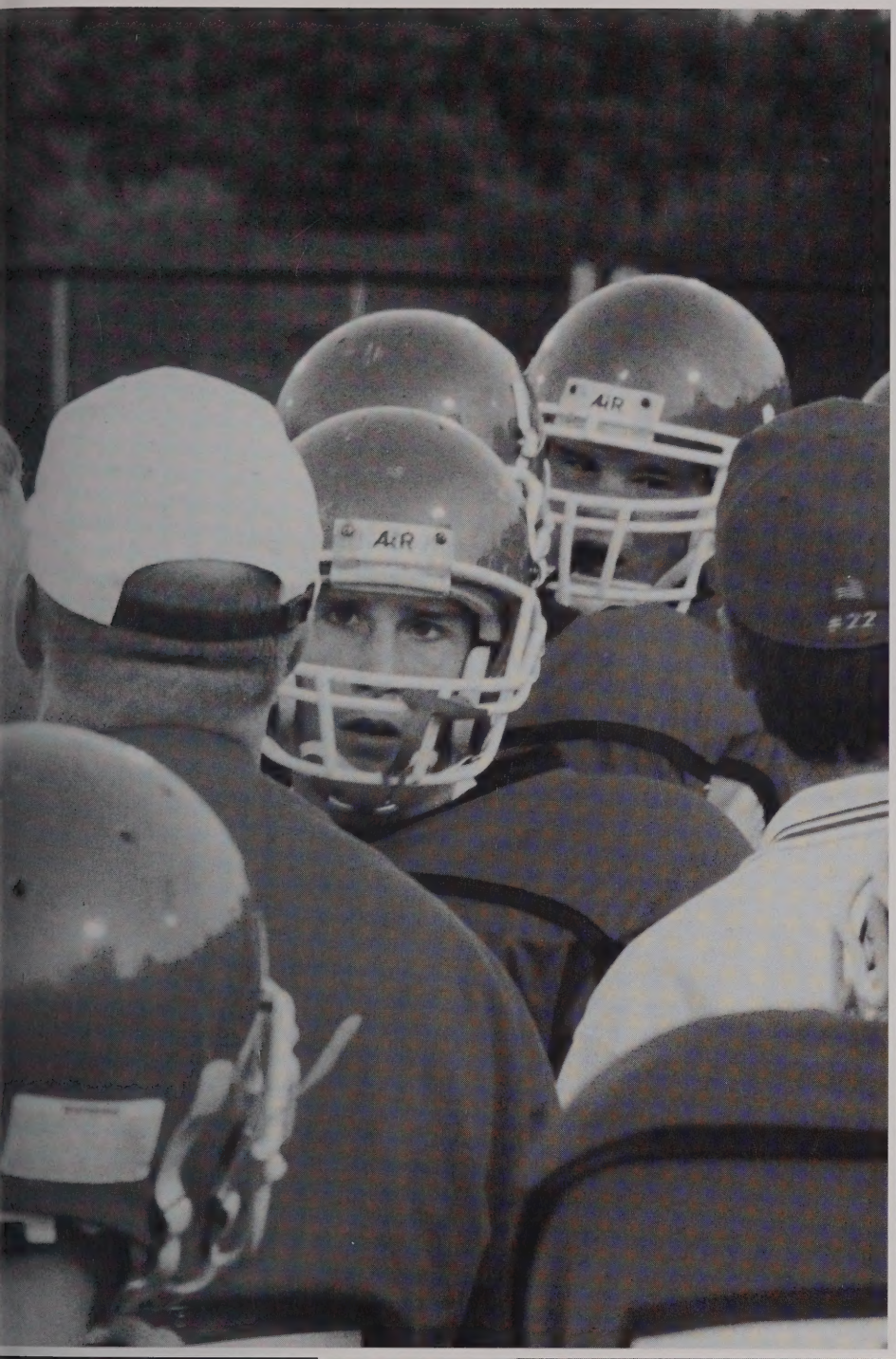
The Ram offense faces off at a home game against Southern's rival the Northern Huskies.

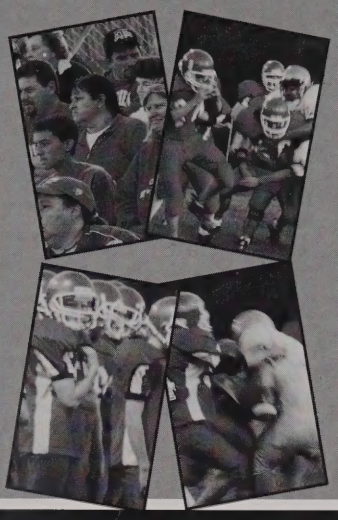
Joseph Coddington



The Ram defense charges on to get the ball from the Beall offense.

Freshman Justin Fitzwater talks to Coach Rick Wakefield during a home game against Beall. When asked what he likes about his coach he said, "He gives you a positive attitude."





Ram fans anxiously watch the game from the stands. Having paid for season passes, parents had reserved seating for the game.

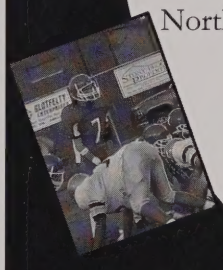
The Ram offense fights to hold onto the ball.

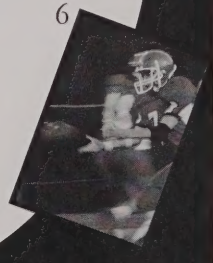
JV players eagerly await their opportunity to enter the game while supporting the rest of their team.

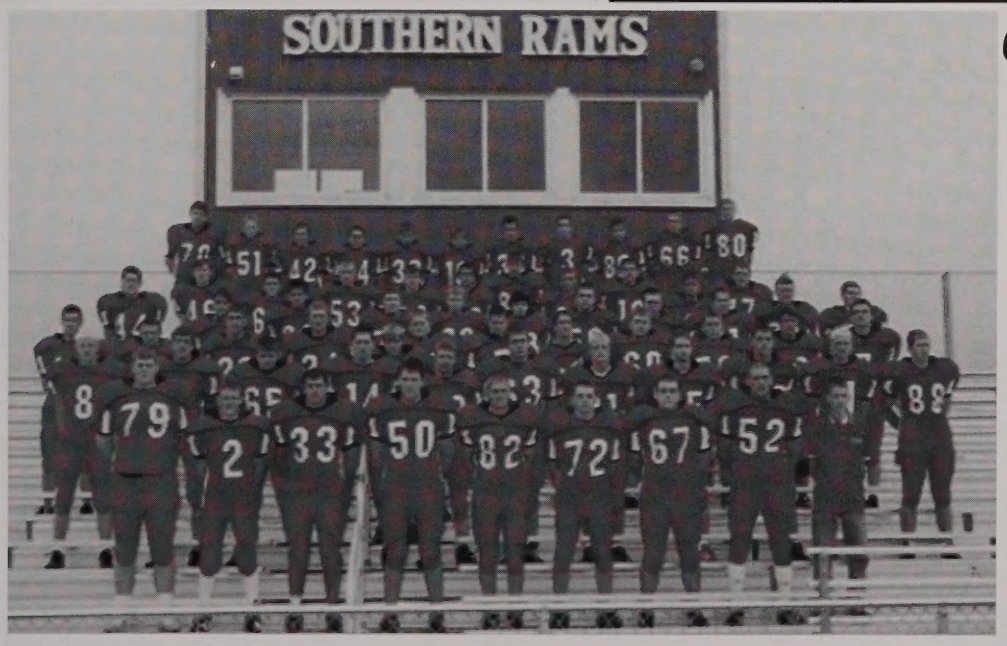
The Rams fight to take a player down at the home game against Beall.

## Scoreboard

| Team | Us | Them |
|---|---|---|
| Northern | 20 | 0 |
| Beall | 14 | 0 |
| Keyser | 12 | 14 |
| Tucker | 26 | 6 |
| Allegany | 14 | 6 |
| Beall | 32 | 0 |
| Allegany | 20 | 16 |
| Meyersdale | 16 | 7 |
| Fort Hill | 16 | 34 |
| Northern | 26 | 6 |








Row Two: Brandon McWilliams. Row Three: Matthew Davis, Anthony Schrock, Drew Taylor, Jimmy Hinebaugh, Rick Wotring, Gage Welch, David Reams, Jason Wakefield. Row Four: Nathanael Harris, Eric Pike, Chris Hechmer, Shane Rounds, Justin Fitzwater, Josh Paugh, Tony Steyer, Jeremy Wilson, Cory Reckart, T.C. Moon, Matthew Kisner. Row Five: Jacob Pike, Patrick Sisler, Cody Broadwater, Aaron Friend, Daniel Carr, Ryan DeWitt, John Knox, Adam VanBoglen, Josh Armstrong, Seth Friend. Row Six: Nathan Thomas, Matt Fitzwater, Greg Hartner, Joe Coddington, Dean Hoffman, Justin Ratliff, Nathan Stephens, Brandon Roberson, Chris Hinebaugh, T.J. Sisler, Erik Cussins. Not Pictured: T.J. Ravenscroft

# jv football

jv & freshmen football

Samuel Williams

# varsity football

"It means so much to all of us to come together and put our minds on just football," stated JD Plank.

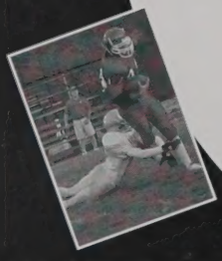
"The only thing that got to me after a losing game was the bus ride home,"claimed Bryan Corby.

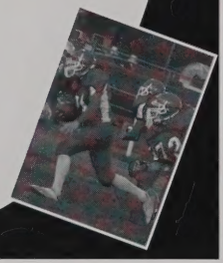
Bret DeWitt claimed, "Being a sophomore on varsity was a really good learning experience for me. Hopefully we are more dedicated next year."

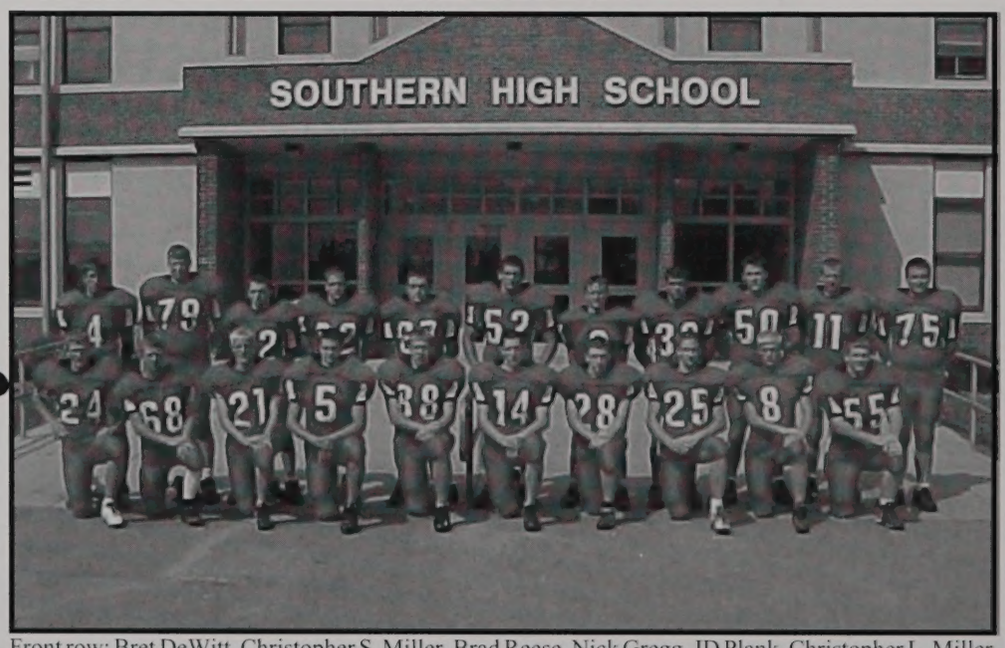
Chris Miller shared, "If it is a bad day, then all the tension can come out while I'm playing."

## Scoreboard

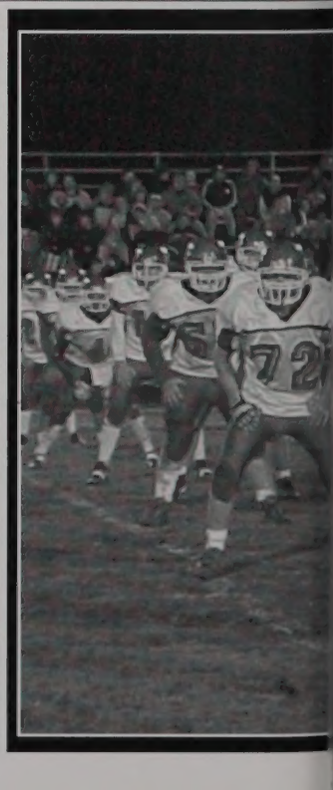
| Team | Us | Them |
|---|---|---|
| N. Hagerstown | 8 | 27 |
| Beall | 17 | 42 |
| Westmar | 34 | 14 |
| Allegany | 14 | 26 |
| Moorefield | 12 | 59 |
| Preston | 16 | 22 |
| Hampshire | 6 | 34 |
| Frankfort | 0 | 34 |
| Fort Hill | 6 | 46 |
| Northern | 12 | 30 |








Front row: Bret DeWitt, Christopher S. Miller, Brad Reese, Nick Gregg, JD Plank, Christopher L. Miller, Chad Everd, Cory Bosley, Brandon Manko; Second row: Scott Wildesen, Dan Goulart, Shane Riley, Karl Hillen, Tyler Ashby, Chris Bennett, Matt Ford, Zach Uphold, Allen Brady, Bryan Corby, John Wolfe



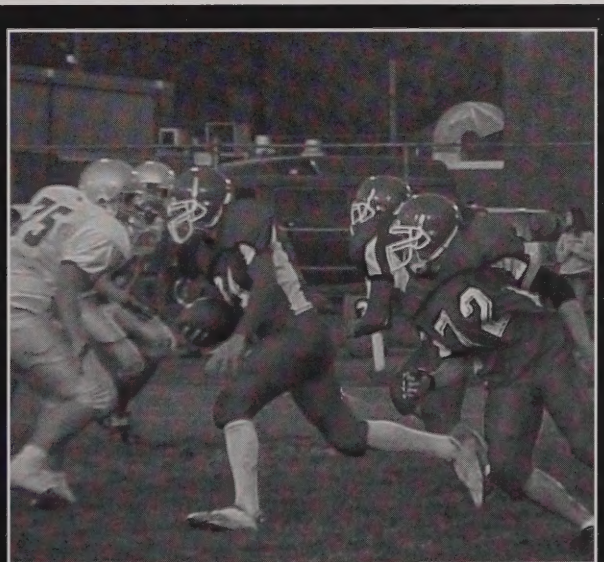
Hannah Watkins

# A Season of Sacrifice

Special Thanks: JD Plank

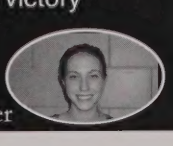
The expectations of both the varsity football team and its coaches were extremely high at the season's outset. However, troubled by early losses and players who lost heart and quit the team, they landed a record of one and nine. Actually, most games were lost in the second half, indicating that the Rams had the skill to succeed. Looking back on the season, Allen Brady said, "I'm glad we had someone like Brandon Manko, who stuck with it. He was the youngest lineman we had, and he played with a lot of heart." The success of the jv team leads the Rams to believe that next season will be more promising.

Jason Wakefield prepares to pass the ball to one of his wide receivers at the game at Northern. Scott Wildesen and Brad Reese played wide receiver for the Rams.



Shane Riley "head-hunting" for a Westmar player to block. This game marked the Rams' first victory of the season.

The Southern Rams prepare to kick off against the Northern Huskies. Cory Bosley, pictured, and Karl Hillen served as kickers for the Rams.



Elizabeth Thayer

# Using Their Heads

Staff Writer: Shar Hollingsworth

## *Playing with Heart*

The boys' soccer season came to a close with a 4-13 record. Although the team did not win as many games as they would have liked, it was still a valuable "learning experience," as Coach Bob Bonser often reminded them. This year's team was very young, with only one senior. This forced the boys to develop a unity that would carry them through the rocky points in the season. The boys played each game with great vigor and determination, refusing to become disheartened. Joey Simpson, a freshmen agreed, "It was extremely fun. I learned a great deal throughout the season." The year came to a close with a heartbreaking loss to Northern. Despite the defeat the Rams concluded the year with a greater understanding of the game and many lasting memories.

Chad Remley takes off for the ball while teammates Bobby Bonser and Nick Perry stay close by for support.

In the team huddle, the boys get pumped up for the game. Nick Perry, a graduating senior, looks back at the season: "It was a lot of fun. I'm going to miss soccer and all my teammates."

Drew Taylor

Logan Craig leaps in the air to get the ball. As always the boys were very positive. Logan claimed, "It was a fun season. I can't wait until next year. "

Logan Craig chases down a Beall forward and shuts him down. Logan had lots of play time this season as both the goal keeper and a wing defender.

Nick Perry battles with two Westmar rivals. At the end of the season, Nick was chosen as the Most Valuable Player of the year.

Using his fancy footwork, Chuckie Burton dribbles up the field.

"I was trying to take him out even though he's bigger than I am," said Taylor Crabtree.

## Scoreboard

| Team | Us | Them |
|---|---|---|
| Allegany | 2 | 0 |
| Fort Hill | 0 | 6 |
| Beall | 1 | 8 |
| Westmar | 6 | 5 |
| Keyser | 2 | 1 |
| Fort Hill | 0 | 3 |
| Bishop Walsh | 1 | 4 |
| Hampshire | 0 | 6 |
| Beall | 0 | 6 |
| Northern | 0 | 1 |
| Keyser | 5 | 1 |
| Northern | 0 | 0 |
| Bishop Walsh | 0 | 7 |

Front row: Ryan Dominick, Ethan Chorpenning, Joey Simpson, Chad Remley, Cody Brack, Elric Weeks, and Taylor Crabtree; Second row: Mike Edwards, Sean McCreery, James Naylor, Bryan Teter, Doug Kisner, James Mullenax, and Bruce Deal; Back row: Coach Bob Bonser, Eric Blamble, Drew Betz, Bobby Bonser, Michael Mosser, Nick Perry, Matt Morgan, Logan Craig, Chuckie Burton, Coach Groves.

Jennifer Steyer

# boys soccer

# girls soccer

Casey Taylor boots the ball hard off a corner kick. Casey's corner kicks were great crosses and resulted in many goals.

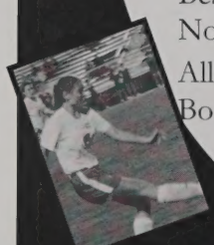
Corey Lewis sprints hard to save the ball from going out of bounds. Corey, only a sophomore, was in the starting line-up this year.

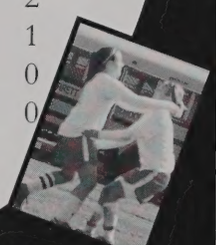
Lauren Shue chases down the ball and controls it. Lauren played some quality minutes this season as only a freshman.

Lifting weights has really helped Robbin Gregg develop a beastly throw-in.

## Scoreboard

| Team | Us | Them |
|---|---|---|
| Allegany | 1 | 0 |
| St. Maria Goretti | 5 | 0 |
| Northern | 3 | 0 |
| Fort Hill | 4 | 0 |
| Hampshire | 7 | 0 |
| Bishop Walsh | 2 | 0 |
| Hampshire | 8 | 0 |
| Keyser | 6 | 0 |
| Westmar | 6 | 0 |
| Bishop Walsh | 1 | 0 |
| Hollidaysburg | 2 | 0 |
| Beall | 0 | 2 |
| Northern | 3 | 1 |
| Allegany | 3 | 0 |
| Boonsboro | 0 | 0 |





Front Row: Alasha Rush; Second Row: Robbin Gregg, Casey Taylor, Sabrina Scheffel, Laura Bonser, Sarah Mullenax; Third Row: Lauren Shue, Ashley Metcalfe, Ashley Rohrbaugh, Jadyn Swerbinsky, Jasmine Scheffel, Shar Hollingsworth, Corey Lewis, Erin Rhodes, Melissa Ray; Fourth Row: Coach Ron Petrella, Amber Brant, Rachel McCasky, Sarah Beckman, Hannah Storey, Jessica Petrella, Kendra McLaughlin, Sarah Anderson, Ashley Stuck, Rachel Bessey, Kailee Craig, Amanda Perry, Coach Sarah Nawrot

Amanda McCleary

# Kicks and Bruises

## Girls Soccer Leaves a Mark

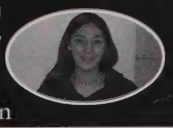
Staff Writer: Justine Pagenhardt

This year's team, under the direction of Coach Ron Petrella and Sarah Nawrot, carried the traditon of successful Southern girls' soccer teams by ending with a 12-3 record. The team shared many fun times and crazy experiences together, such as Sabrina Scheffel getting locked in a handicap bathroom. Casey Taylor stated, "I love my teammates, and I'll miss just hanging out with them while they make fun of me." Senior captain Laura Bonser sums up the whole season nicely: "Even though we lost in the playoffs, we still had a great year! Besides, it's not all about winning. It's about playing a sport you love with your friends and making great memories that will last forever."

Sabrina Scheffel pulls a nasty ball turn, leaves the Northern defender on the ground, and nets the ball past the goalie. Sabrina led the area in scoring this year and was named team and Area Offensive Player of the Year.

The three senior captains this year were Laura Bonser, Casey Taylor, and Sabrina Scheffel. Sabrina stated, "It was really a privilege being a captain of this year's team."

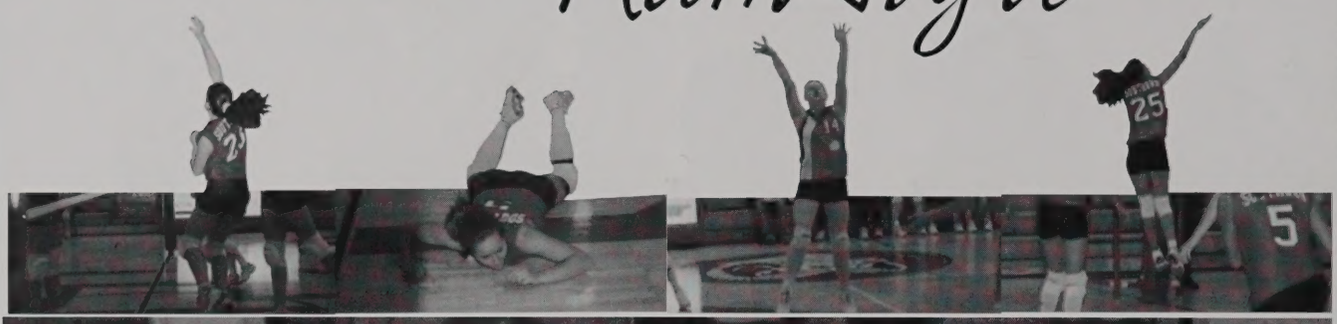
Robbin Gregg holds off a Hampshire defender and successfully steals the ball. Robbin was known for her aggressive style of play and consistency.



Bree Turgeon

# Serving It Up *Ram style*

Staff Writer: Sarah Rexroad



The Southern Rams volleyball teams once again served up a fantastic season. The varsity team finished with a school record of 13-3 after losing in the semi-final playoffs. The young team only had two returning seniors, but they perservered and won the WMIL championship for the first time. The JV volleyball team came within one loss of a perfect season. They lost a heartbreaker to Frankfort, but avenged the loss later at the Fort Hill Tournament. The future of volleyball at Southern High School is looking bright indeed.

Front row: Nicole Getz, Sara Cavalier, Jenna Wagner, and Jade Ream; Second row: Sarah Stephens, Adrienne Yoder, Danielle Daniels, Amber Plank, and Amberly Lewis; Back row: Coach Helen Stephens, Elizabeth Ray, Randi Bennett, Sarah Rexroad, and Natalie Rohrbaugh

Sarah Rexroad

During a time out, Coach Sue Newton goes over strategies to improve Southern's game and keep their winning streak alive.

Against her Northern opponents, Kayla Nazelrod attacks the ball to lead her team on to another victory. Photo courtesy of *The Republican*

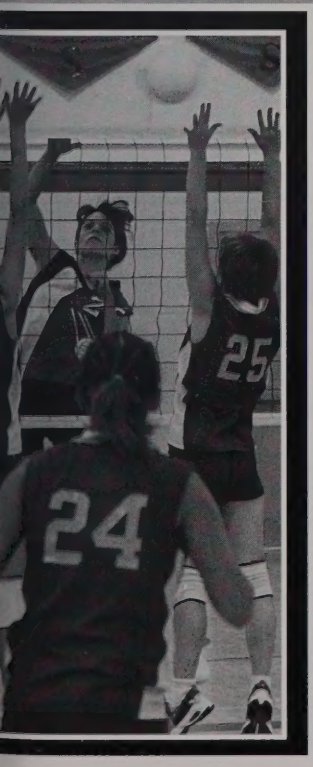
*What was the highlight of your season?*

"Getting volleyball on the banner in the gym for the first time ever was awesome!" said Erica Pratt. Both Bethany Steyer and Megan Swartzentruber agreed that, "defeating Fort Hill for the WMIL championship was remarkable."

Sarah Stephens, from the JV team, explained, "Friendship played a key role in our winning season because we all worked as a team to become successful."

## Scoreboard

| Team | Us | Them |
|---|---|---|
| Hampshire | 1 | 3 |
| Northern | 3 | 0 |
| Meyersdale | 3 | 2 |
| Allegany | 3 | 0 |
| Fort Hill | 3 | 1 |
| Beall | 3 | 1 |
| Westmar | 3 | 0 |
| Petersburg | 3 | 0 |
| Beall | 3 | 0 |
| Bishop Walsh | 3 | 1 |
| Fort Hill | 3 | 1 |
| Frankfort | 0 | 3 |
| Northern | 3 | 0 |
| Allegany | 3 | 0 |



Front row: Julia Bosley, Megan Swartzentruber, Bethany Steyer, Erica Pratt; Back row: Coach Sue Newton, Chelsea Wassell, Megan Pike, Kayla Nazelrod, Sarah Bittinger, Laura Preston

Sara Cavalier



# volleyball

# golf

Matt Skidmore has been with the team since ninth grade and will continue through his senior year.

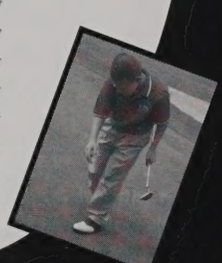
Josh Lear began his golfing career with the Rams in his sophomore year. Josh says, "The year was exciting and fun."

Ivan Stutzman states that playing a sport in high school is a good experience.

Joe Albert says, "Getting out of school to go to the matches was fun. We got to eat at places like Ponderosa on the way back home."

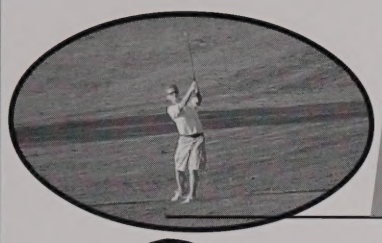
## Scoreboard

| Team | Win/Loss |
|---|---|
| Beall | W |
| Frankfort | W |
| Frankfort | W |
| Allegany | W |
| Bishop Walsh | W |
| Northern | W |
| Keyser | L |
| Keyser | W |
| Tucker Co. | W |
| Northern | W |
| Moorefield | W |
| WMIL | 1st place |
| Petersburg | W |
| Moorefield | W |
| East Hardy | W |
| Regionals | 1st place |
| Allegany | W |
| Bishop Walsh | W |
| Northern | W |
| Fort Hill | W |
| Northern | W |
| Northern | W |
| States | 4th place |



**Front row:** Seth Fike,Travis Friend,Ryan Martin,Nick Hillen, Ivan Stutzman, Brenton Carnell. **Back Row:** Coach Friend, Josh Lear, Tim Reams, Matt Skidmore, Joe Albert, Jed Crawford, Coach Skidmore.Not pictured:Evan Thayer, Paul Lapp

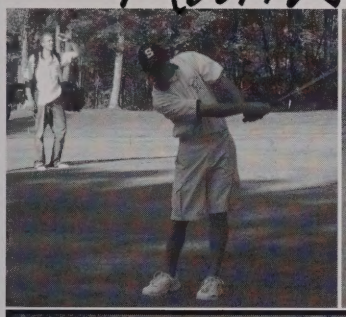
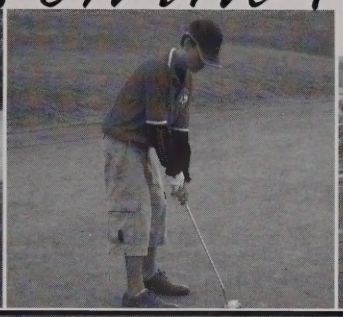
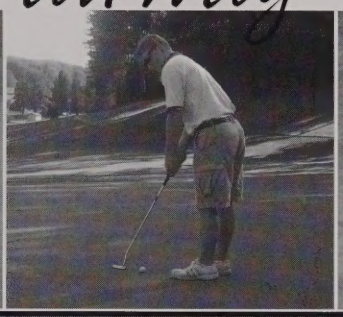
Logan Osekowski



# Aces Wild

## Rams on the Fairway

Staff Writer: Paul Lapp

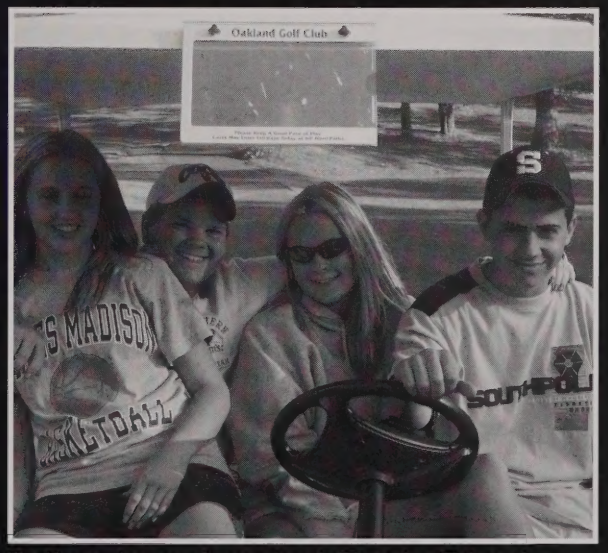




The Ram's golf team made a lasting impression as Travis Friend and Matt Skidmore led the team to an awesome season. At the WMIL competition, Matt placed first and Travis placed second overall. Out of the eighteen teams and ninety individual competitors at the Regional Tournament, Travis placed fifth and Matt placed sixth. The team played exceptionally well at States, placing fourth overall.

Coach Jeff Friend, who has guided the team for the last four years, has announced that this will be his last year as their coach. Under his direction, the team has enjoyed a 162-42 record and won 80% of their competitions. Seniors Travis Friend, Paul Lapp, and Evan Thayer will also be leaving the Ram golfers. However, in the capable hands of players like Matt Skidmore and Josh Lear, the golfers winning streak will likely continue.

Evan Thayer hits one for the team. This was Evan's last year for the Rams. He has played for Southern since his freshman year.

Travis Friend prepares to tee off. This particular match was against Northern High School.




Golfers have fans too! Travis Friend and Matt Skidmore travel in style with Krista Hanline and Melissa Rohrbaugh.

Brad Reese

# Finishing Well

## Cross Country

Staff Writer: Kara Paugh

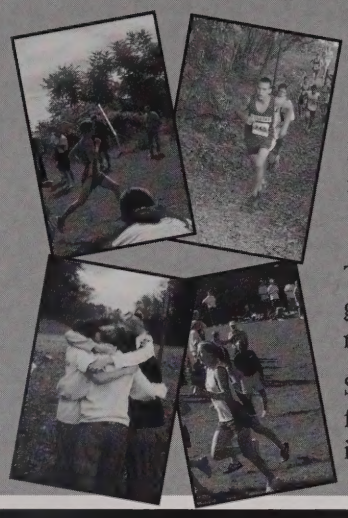
Cross Country is unlike any other high school sport. It it possible for individuals to excel -- such as Natalie Domenick who was the girl's long representative at states -- while participating as a team. Coaches Steve Cosner and Jamie Beeman, both in their first year as head coaches, set a goal for their teams to have successful seasons. Both met that goal. The boy's team had their best overall record in five seasons, placing second in the WMIL meet, sixth at Regionals, and sixth at States. The girl's team placed second in the area and were the WMIL champs. Both coaches commented on how hard the teams worked during practice, how much they supported each other as a family, and how greatly the senior leadership will be missed.

Front row: Levi Filsinger, Andrew Kight, Andrew Goad, and Derek Upperman; Back row: Michael Murphy, Craig Conroy, and David Cuddington.

Nathan Sines

The girls' team is running their cool-down run after a race at Clearspring. "Cool down runs help our muscles to keep relaxed," claimed senior Amanda Sisler.

David Cuddington catches his breath as the finish line comes into sight after a 3.1 mile race.



Captain Craig Conroy races to keep ahead of the competition.

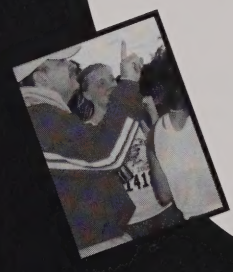
Derek Upperman strives to run up "never-ending" and stay ahead.

The "sisters" hug and cry together after their last home meet.

Sarah Cosner runs faster as fans cheer her on to the finish.

## Schedule

Sept. 6 Interstate Classic
Sept. 9 Tucker / Westmar
Sept. 13 Frankfort Invitational
Sept. 23 Beall/Grafton/Preston/ University
Oct. 2 Area Meet
Oct. 4 Mountiantop Combo
Oct. 7 University
Oct. 10 Tucker
Oct. 16 WMIL
Oct. 31 Regionals
Nov. 8 State Meet



Front row: Melinda Smith, Ashley Walters, and Katey Gnegy; Second row: Leah Warnick, Courtney DiSimone, Katie Conroy, Krista Hanline, Sarah Cosner, and Elizabeth Thayer; Back row: Natalie Domenick, Mandi Stahl, Stephanie Disimone, Lisa Wade, and Amanda Sisler

Lindsey Strubin

# cross country

# wrestling

Jeremy Gregory works to pin his opponent.

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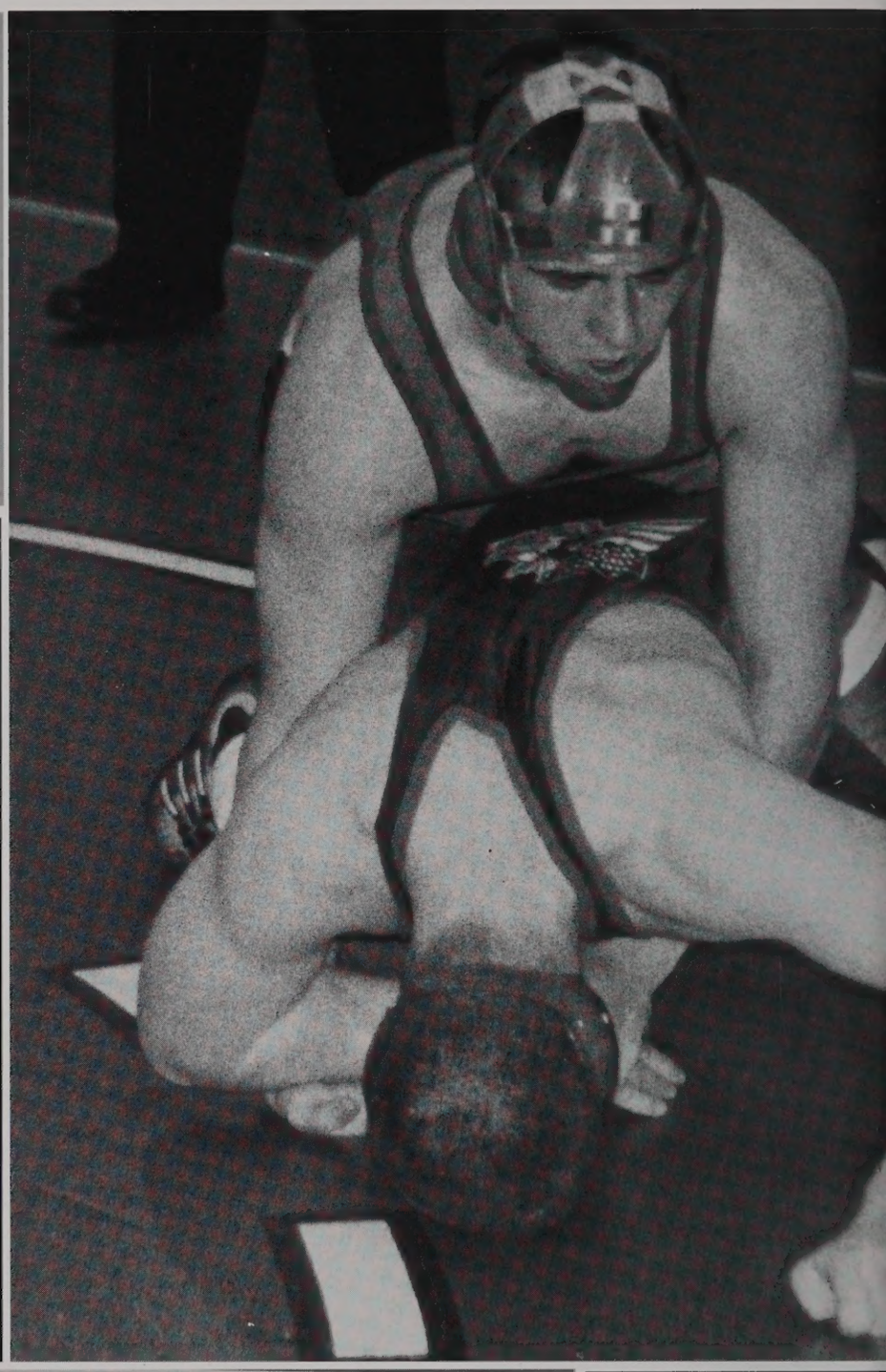
Josh Armstrong patiently waits for the right moment to make his move.

Dan Goulart shares, "We worked really hard to get where we did. A lot of us didn't have that much experience, but we got further than we thought we would."

At Regionals, Daniel Carr and Nathan Sines take a break between matches. Nathan Sines comments, "Without your teammates in the practice room and on the bus, the sport wouldn't be as much fun -- especially when you have teammates like Chris Bennett and Jason Weeks."





## Scoreboard

| Team | Us | Them |
|---|---|---|
| Allegany | 74 | 0 |
| Meyersdale | 48 | 16 |
| Hyndman | 36 | 37 |
| Musselman | 66 | 15 |
| Berkeley Springs | 63 | 9 |
| Fort Hill | 52 | 17 |
| Keyser | 54 | 24 |
| Northern | 53 | 19 |
| Westmar | 78 | 6 |
| Frankfort | 75 | 4 |
| Beall | 41 | 18 |
| Northern | 60 | 18 |
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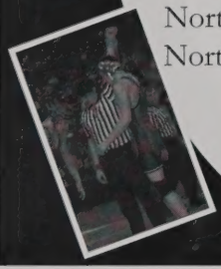
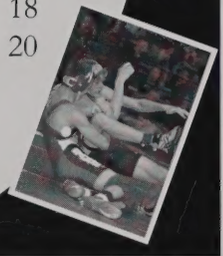




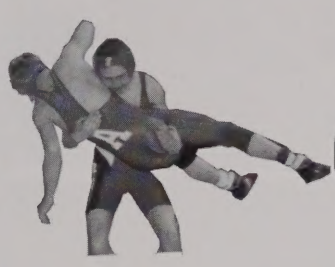
Tiffany Thomas

Front row: Daniel Carr, Joe Williams, Jeremy Gregory, Josh Armstrong, Greg Graham; Second row: Greg Beckman, Andrew Pritts, Travis Sines, Jeffrey Gregory, Nathan Sines; Back row: Justin Ratliff, Coach Dave Taylor, Chris Bennett, Scott Wildesen, Jason Weeks, Chris Tepper, Coach Dan Clark

# Staying on Top

## Wrestling

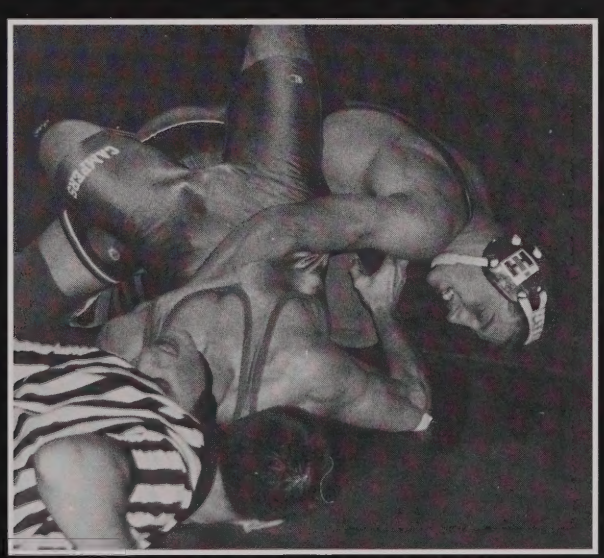
Staff Writer: Shar Hollingsworth



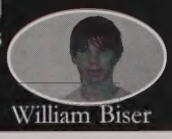
This year's wrestling team proved once again to be a very prominent group. Not only did they manage to beat county rival Northern for the first time in 18 years, but they also brought home a State Champion. The Rams were led by captains Jason Weeks, Chris Bennett, Scott Wildesen, and Nathan Sines. As seniors, Jason and Chris led the team to many victories. Their dedication and leadership will be missed greatly next year. Although the team brought a wealth of natural talent to the mat, hardwork and dedication were the keys to success. Jeremy Gregory agrees: "When you practice harder, you win easier." The boys always gave their best, and their best took four members to the State Championship. Scott Wildesen won the state title in his weight class and Nathan Sines ended the season fourth in the state. Dan Goulart, a first-time Southern wrestler, took home sixth place in the state competition. Although Daniel Carr did not perform as well as he had hoped, he has a very promising career ahead of him.

Scott Wildesen pins yet another competitor. Scott ended the regular season with 32 wins and a mere three losses. Scott thanks Jason Weeks, "for being my practice partner for all these years. He is one of the main reasons that I am a succesful wrestler. It is a shame a wrestler as good as Jason had to get injured during his senior year."

As a freshmen, Daniel Carr had a wonderful season. He will prove to be one of the team's leaders in years to come.



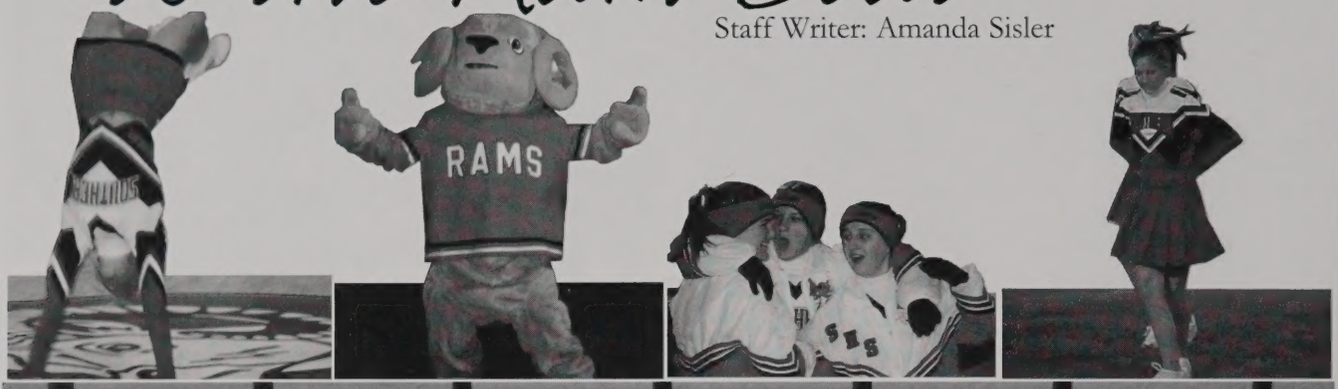
Engaged in an exausting struggle is Nathan Sines. Nathan had an excellent season, ending with 31 wins and only 10 losses as well as placing fourth in the state.



William Biser

# Get Down to the Ram Beat

Staff Writer: Amanda Sisler



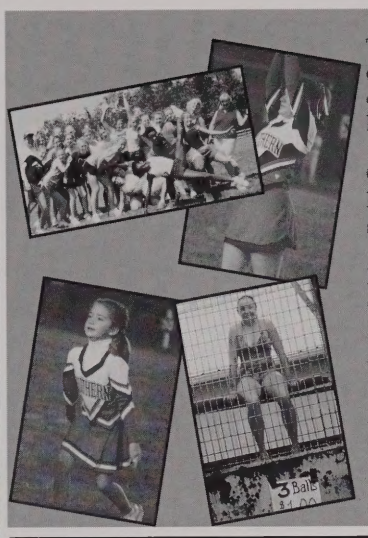
The Southern JV and varsity cheerleaders had an exciting year. The girls attended cheer camp over the summer to get ready for the season. They held fundraisers such as the annual dunking booth at the Garrett County Fair. The cheerleaders, together with the football players, promoted Coca-Cola at a fundraiser by cheering in front of the local Wal-Mart store. Co-Captain Nikki Raynovich stated, "Overall the season went pretty well. We had a completely new JV squad and two freshmen on the varsity squad. The hard work we put into the season really paid off."

Varsity Cheerleaders Krissy Ashby, Kara Paugh, Hana Smith, and Nikki Raynovich get a little crazy at cheer camp.

Southern Varsity Cheerleaders rock the house Wal-Mart to support the Coca-Cola Company. The event served as a fundraiser for the team.

Let's go, Southern Rams! SHS cheerleader Sheena Collins flies high at a home basket ball game.

Seth Friend



The gang's all here! Southern cheerleaders pose with cheer camp participants from other high schools.

Captain Melody Friend shows her spirit during the half time show at a home football game.

Kambri, the mascot for the SHS cheerleaders, participates in the halftime show at a home football game. Kambri has been the mascot for three years.

Varsity cheerleader Krissy Ashby smiles bravely at the cheerleaders' annual dunking booth at the Garrett County Fair.

JV Cheerleaders: First row: Britni Brenneman, Amber Joseph, Hollie McComas; Second row: Natalie Mayle, Jessica Schrock, Amanda Griffin; Third row: Heather Ashby, Anet Dishmon, Melissa Stewart, Lacy Liller

Varsity Cheerleaders: Front row: Kara Paugh, Captain Melody Friend, Co-Captain Nikki Raynovich, Brandi Arnett; Back row: Bethany Jones, Hana Smith, Krissy Ashby, Amelia Ratliff, Ashley Biser, Sheena Collins

Lacy Matthews

# JV & freshman basketball

Eric Blamble defends a Bishop Walsh player as he tries to make a pass.

Shane Weaver drives to the hoop to make a basket.

Matt Fitzwater dribbles to the wing as he tries to get past the Petersburg defender.

Joey Tressler and Jimmy Hinebaugh work together to defend two Northern players.

## Scoreboard

| Team | Us | Them |
|---|---|---|
| Bishop Walsh | 37 | 9 |
| Beall | 45 | 51 |
| St. Maria Goretti | 47 | 50 |
| Petersburg | 35 | 43 |
| Williamsport | 46 | 51 |
| St. Maria Goretti | 37 | 34 |
| Fort Hill | 44 | 35 |
| Allegany | 41 | 43 |
| Tucker | 55 | 43 |
| Allegany | 38 | 58 |
| Keyser | 24 | 23 |
| Northern | 45 | 22 |
| Williamsport | 47 | 33 |
| Petersburg | 37 | 45 |
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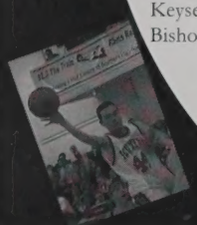
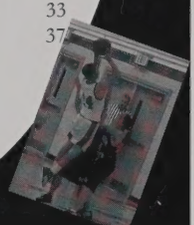
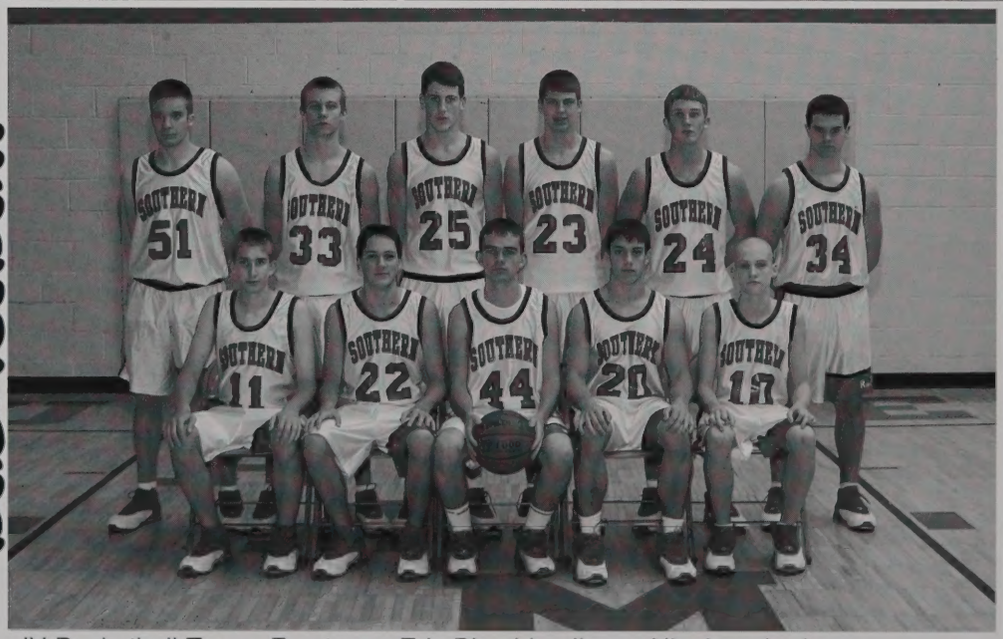
| Tucker | 50 | 31 |
| Fort Hill | 51 | 49 |
| Beall | 55 | 33 |
| Keyser | 30 | 33 |
| Bishop Walsh | 52 | 37 |

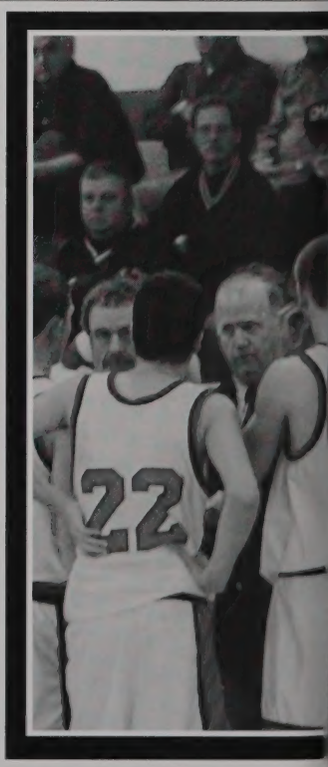







JV Basketball Team: Front row: Eric Blamble, Jimmy Hinebaugh, Jason Wakefield, David Reams, Spencer Barnard; Back row: Jeremy Sines, Joey Tressler, Nathan Harris, Ryan DeWitt, Bret DeWitt, Nick Gregg

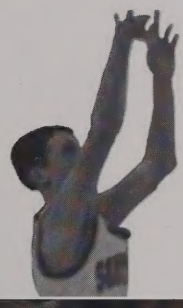
John Simson

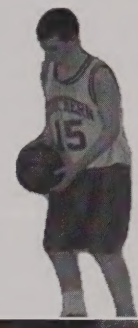


# SOUTHERN HOOPS

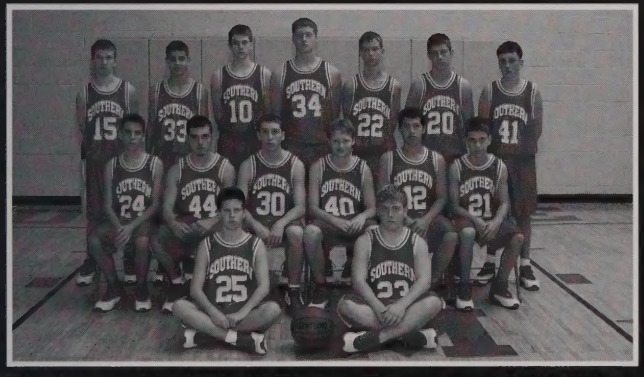
## *Defense, Southern, Defense*

Special Thanks: Ryan DeWitt & Mike Edwards





Both the freshman and JV basketball teams ended with winning seasons. Ryan DeWitt, a member of the JV team said, "Toward the end of the year, everyone was playing well. We came together at practices and worked hard for our wins." One lasting impression for the JV team is Bret DeWitt's buzzer-beating shot for the victory over Keyser. The freshman team also had a strong season, ending with only four losses. The team members list their victory over top-ranked Beall among their most memorable moments. Mike Edwards claimed, "I enjoyed working with my coaches and teammates, but I wish we had more games because I believe that we were the best team in the area and could have come out number one." Hard work, defense, and teamwork is what Southern's basketball program is all about. These players are up to the challenge and look forward to playing together under Coach Tom Bosley in the coming years.



Freshman Basketball Team: Front row: Seth Fike, Shane Weaver; Second row: Ryan Martin, Nathan Stephens, Brandon Roberson, Matt Fitzwater, Mike Edwards, Chris Hinebaugh; Back row: Sean McCreery, Nick Hillen, Mark Bittinger, Eric Cussins, Tim Reams, Adam VanBogelen, Zachary Keefer

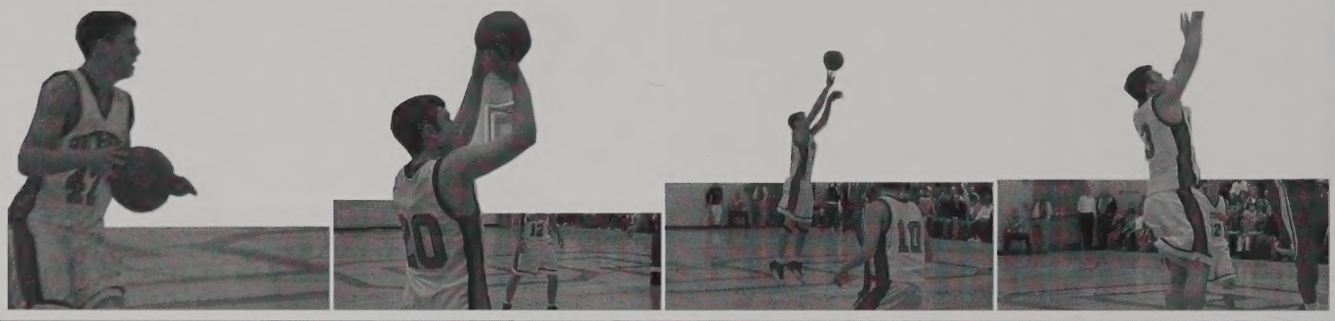
Coach Bosley and Coach Pacella try to get the team to hustle back and play defense.

While waiting for a teammate to make a foul shot, Tim Reams and Brandon Roberson take some advice from Coach Jon Hegeman.

Russell Tichnell

# Shooting for Victory

## Full-court Phenomenon



The Boys Varsity Basketball team concluded another successful season in 2004. Although they did not get the chance to play in the state playoffs at College Park, Head Coach Tom Bosley was still very happy with the team's performance. Despite having a young team, starting two juniors and a sophomore, "we had great chemistry and our three seniors were excellent leaders," stated Bosley. Coach Bosley also believes that winning "fifteen games, with the difficulty of our schedule, and lack of returning experience, we can look back and view it as a pretty successful season!"

Southern Varsity Boys listen to Coach Bosley during a time-out at a home game against Northern.

Chad Harvey

Varsity players Evan Lantz, Brad Reese, Robbie Stemple, Chris Miller, and Aaron Louden support their team from the sideline.

Cory Bosley takes a shot while an eager Rams crowd looks on.

Andrew VanBogelen jumps up for the shot at a victorious home playoff game.

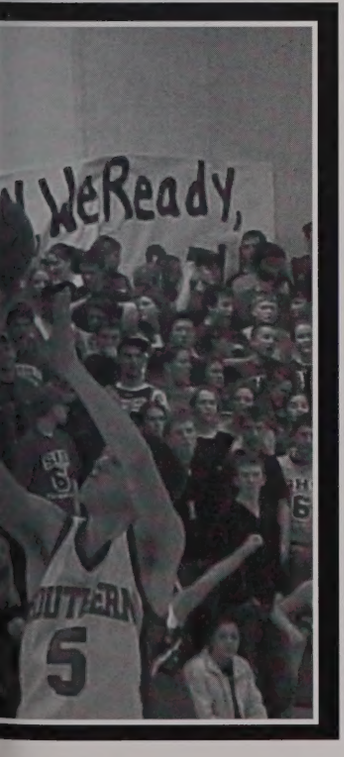
Dewaine Jones shoots one of his famous three pointers at a play-off game.

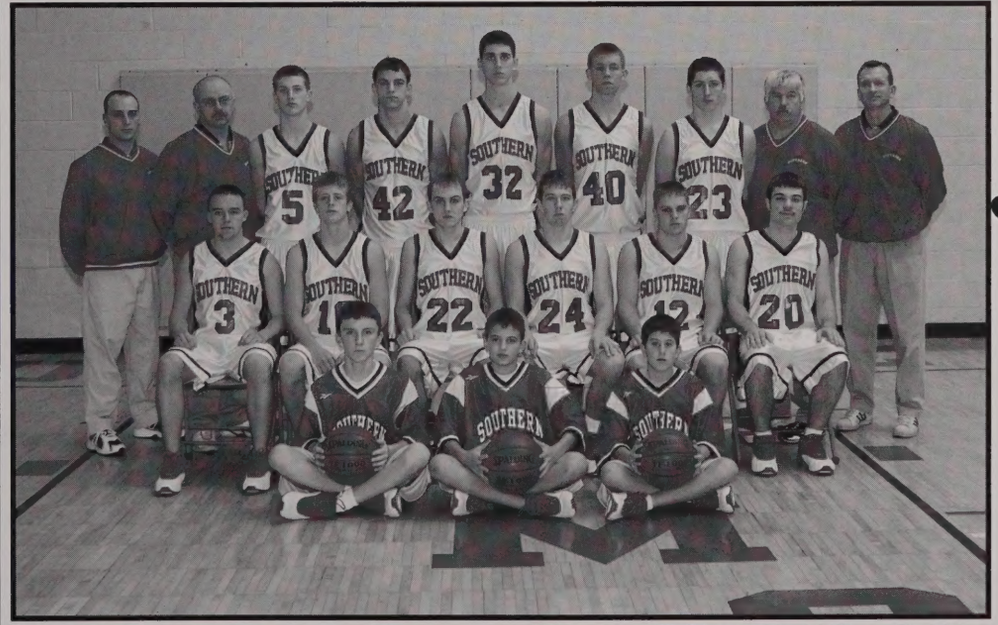
Corey Tressler charges down the court at a home game against Alco.

Karl Hillen battles two Northern defenders.

## Scoreboard

| Team | Us | Them |
|---|---|---|
| Bishop Walsh | 53 | 41 |
| Beall | 56 | 42 |
| St. Maria Goretti | 42 | 47 |
| Petersburg | 45 | 19 |
| Williamsport | 48 | 70 |
| Frankfort | 55 | 56 |
| Hereford | 42 | 41 |
| St. Maria Goretti | 47 | 56 |
| Fort Hill | 58 | 42 |
| Allegany | 59 | 65 |
| Tucker | 49 | 46 |
| Allegany | 50 | 68 |
| Keyser | 59 | 52 |
| Northern | 42 | 31 |
| Williamsport | 50 | 47 |
| Keyser | 35 | 33 |
| Petersburg | 51 | 28 |
| Northern | 50 | 46 |
| Tucker | 62 | 65 |
| Fort Hill | 57 | 48 |
| Beall | 50 | 40 |
| Bishop Walsh | 52 | 68 |
| Boonsboro | 58 | 68 |
| Poolsville | 60 | 42 |
| Allegany | 55 | 59 |



Front row: Dewaine Jones, Brad Reese, Aaron Louden, JD Plank, Karl Hillen, Robbie Stemple. Second Row: Coach Matt Redinger, Coach Walter Lee, Cory Bosley, Andrew VanBogelen, Evan Lantz, Corey Tressler, Chris Miller, Coach Tom Bosley, Coach Dave Bender.



# varsity basketball

Travis Riley

# JV BASKETBALL

Sarah Cosner gets air as she jumps to gain control of the ball.

A Lady Ram breaks away for a quick lay-up.

"I had a lot of fun this season and I can't wait until next year," stated Sarah Cosner.

Natalie Rohrbaugh concentrates on making her free throw.

## Scoreboard

| Team | Us | Them |
|---|---|---|
| Petersburgh | 36 | 27 |
| Tucker | 40 | 30 |
| Severna Park | 27 | 15 |
| Northern | 51 | 20 |
| Northern | 32 | 13 |
| Keyser | 46 | 22 |
| Allegany | 36 | 25 |
| Patuxent | 42 | 26 |
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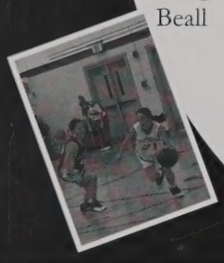

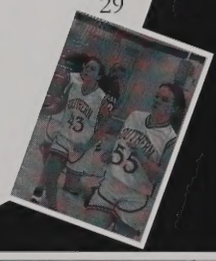

Front row: Lacy Matthews, Nichole Knox, Sarah Stephens, Michelle Holler, Jenna Wagner, Jessica Sypolt; Back row: Sara Harvey, Jackie Skeweris, Elizabeth Ray, Coach Rodger Bowman, Danielle Daniels, Sarah Cosner, Coach Steve Cosner, Adrienne Yoder, Natalie Rohrbaugh

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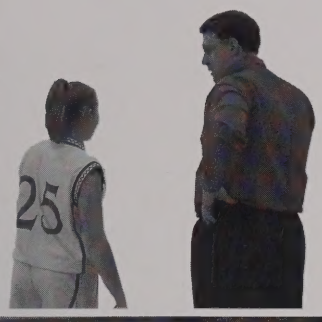
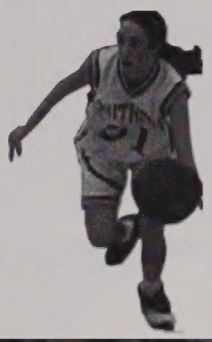
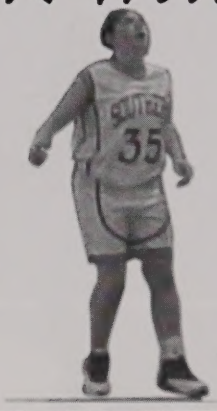
# Fresh Faces

## Young JV Team Performs Well

Staff Writer: Krista Hanline



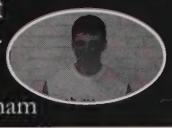




The Girls JV Basketball team was fairly young, but that didn't stop them from working together for success. They finished their season with a 14-6 record. "We had our good and bad times during the season, and I enjoyed playing for the Lady Rams," shares Danielle Daniels. "I am looking forward to next year." Danielle is one of the many freshmen joining the team this year. Michelle Holler, Jenna Wagner, and Sarah Cosner returned to the team as sophomores. Coach Bowman was encouraged by the girls' victories: "I feel that if these players continue to improve, they will become excellent varsity players."

The team surrounds the hoop, anticipating the rebound.

"I feel this year's JV team had a very successful year. Even though we lost five out of our last nine games, the team showed constant improvement," said Coach Bowman.



Tyler Graham

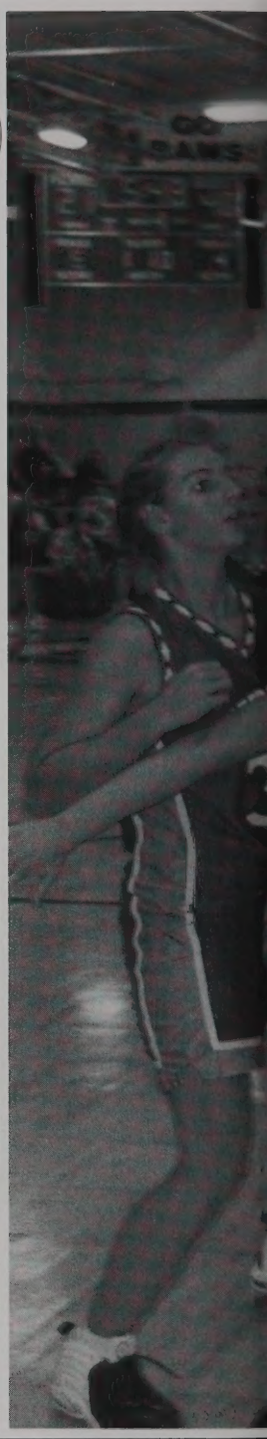
"We had a good season because we all worked well together," stated Jenna Wagner.

# They Got the Swoosh

## STATE CHAMPS

Staff Writer: Becca Flanagan

This group of girls has been working toward the outcome of this basketball season ever since sixth grade. Their hard work and dedication finally paid off as these girls won their last game, the state championship. At the beginning of the season, the team wasn't quite a team. However, toward the end, they came together to make their dream come true. Winning that last game is always everybody's goal for the season, but it only comes true for one team. This year that team was the Southern Lady Rams. This group of athletes is the very first Southern girls basketball team to be able to say, "We won the state championship!"



Becca Flanagan sees a crowd coming and passes the ball back out to safety.

Eugenia Lee

Kendra McLaughlin waits to receive the ball so she can take a shot. Kendra's thoughts about the season were: "Fo' shizzle dizzle, we're so hot we sizzle."

Justine Pagenhardt drives to the lane and shoots it over a defender to score for the Lady Rams.

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Wide open under the basket, Justine Pagenhardt shoots the ball for two.

Robbin Gregg soars through the air to put the ball in the net for two more easy points on the board.

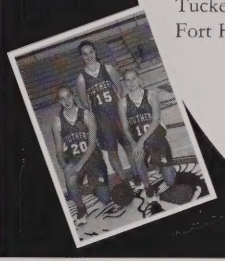
While getting fouled, Becca Flanagan goes through the defender for a lay-up.

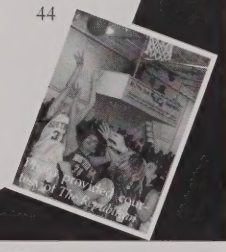
Jasmine Scheffel connects for two while being contested on a short jumper.

Photos provided courtesy of *The Republican*

## Scoreboard

| Team | Us | Them |
|---|---|---|
| Petersburg | 28 | 55 |
| Tucker | 57 | 51 |
| Severna Park | 66 | 52 |
| Northern | 68 | 55 |
| Northern | 65 | 44 |
| Keyser | 68 | 59 |
| Allegany | 64 | 53 |
| Patuxent | 55 | 50 |
| St. Mary Ryken | 54 | 36 |
| Beall | 56 | 59 |
| Joppatown | 74 | 29 |
| Hedgesville | 63 | 73 |
| Allegany | 58 | 50 |
| Beall | 75 | 51 |
| Petersburg | 66 | 61 |
| Fort Hill | 77 | 50 |
| Hedgesville | 74 | 66 |
| Keyser | 53 | 48 |
| Tucker | 64 | 49 |
| Fort Hill | 64 | 44 |





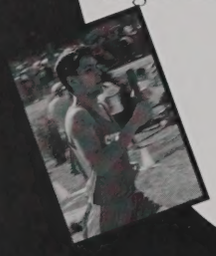
State Champs: Julia Bosley, Roxann Hoalcraft, Ashley Stuck, Jasmine Scheffel, Kendra McLaughlin, Caitlyn Brown, Becca Flanagan, Kayla Nazelrod, Justine Pagenhardt, Casey Taylor, Robbin Gregg, Sabrina Scheffel

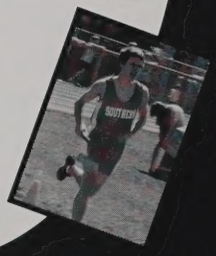
Amanda Proulx

At track meets, athletes participate in three different jumping events: the long jump, the triple jump, and the high jump. In the long jump, athletes jump as far as they can. In the triple jump, they go as far as they can by taking a hop, a skip, and finally a jump. In the high jump, the jumper has to jump over a bar placed at a certain height. At right, Bryson Dixon long jumps, Brad Lilly triple jumps, and Brian Corby and Eric Cussins high jump.

## Scoreboard

| Meet | Boys | Girls |
|---|---|---|
| Keyser | L | W |
| Beall | L | W |
| Harry Green | 15 | 8 |
| Northern | L | W |
| WMIL | 5th | 2nd |
| Jerry Calhoun | 5 | 2nd |
| Area | 8 | 2nd |
| Home | W | W |
| Regionals | 8th | 8th |





# 140 sports track & field

Front Row: Sara Harvey, Amanda Griffin, Meghan Flinn, Sarah Stephens, Danielle Daniels, Amber Upperman, Hannah Storey, Melinda Smith, Ashley Walters, Amanda Everett; Second row: Kenzie Craig, Rachel McCasky, Melissa Ray, Kelly Taylor, Sarah Cosner, Kendra McLaughlin, Corey Lewis, Chelsea Wassell, Leah Warnick, Courtney DiSimone, Katie Nichols, Tiffany Bernard; Third row: Laura Skipper, Krista Hanline, Shar Hollingsworth, Danielle Hickman, Megan Swartzentruber, Jadyn Swerbinsky, Kailee Craig, Rikkilee Rose, Allison Richter, Hannah Stahl; Fourth row: Amanda Sisler, Nina Stoner, Nikki Raynovich, Stephanie DiSimone, Laura Preston; Back row: Robbin Gregg, Lisa Wade, Roxann Hoalcraft, Mandi Stahl, Natalie Domenick.

Pat DiGioia

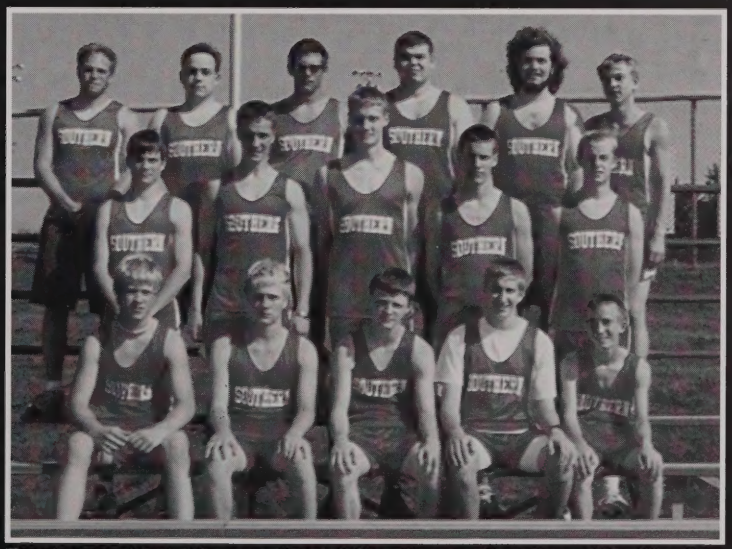
& Chad Remley

# Sprinting to Success

Staff Writer: David Cuddington

Under the guidance of coaches Beeman, Cosner, Gregg, Jamison, and Savage, the track team worked hard all year long to achieve their goal of performing well at regionals and qualifying for states. At regionals, the teams performed extremely well. For the boys, Chris Bennett won the discus, and Dan Goulart won the shot put and finished second in the discus. The girls' 4x1 and 4x2 teams qualified as well as Nina Stoner in the shot put. Coach Beeman stated "I am extremely happy with how well all athletes performed throughout the season."

The relay teams spent hours working on their handoffs, and it pays off as Amber Upperman and Shar Hollingsworth execute a perfect handoff.



Front row: Matt Morgan, Brad Lilly, Jimmy Sharpless, Eric Blamble, Andrew Goad; Second row: Aaron Friend, Michael Schmidl, Eric Cussins, Derek Upperman, Chris Kelly; Back row: Karl Hillen, Tyler Ashby, Chris Bennett, Andrew Murray, Kenny Noland, Levi Filsinger

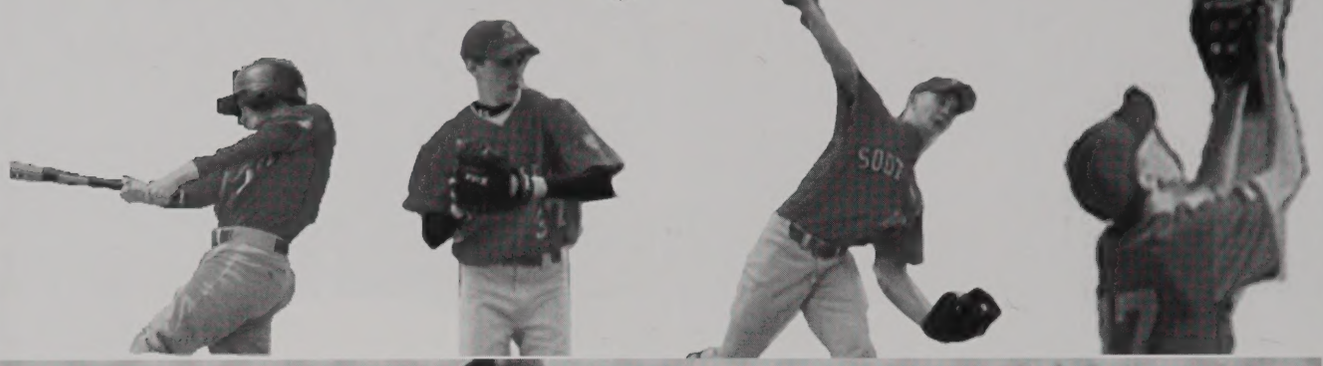
Derek Upperman easily flies over the opening height in the pole vault. Derek says that "Pole vaulting is the most fun event!"

Richard Armstrong

# Sliding to Victory

## JV Baseball

Staff Writer: Holly Sauder



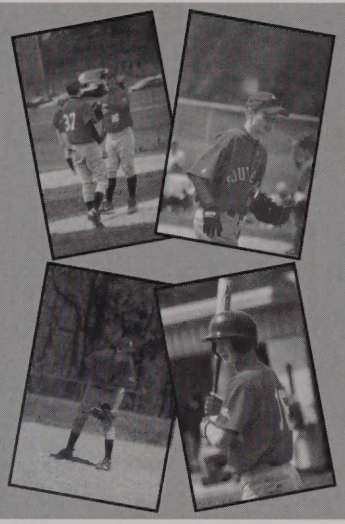
The JV baseball team's season sent them sliding to victory. They ended with five consecutive wins, and overall, they won ten games. They are truly on their way to becoming a great team, not only on the field but also off the field. Michael Edwards says that he enjoys "cheering the team on" when they need support. The players have grown both in their individual abilities and their ability to work as a team. They have taken a big step into their future. This season provides them with a great start for future years.

Getting ready to strike out the batter, Bret DeWitt looks for the sign from the catcher. Brett gained much experience this year as the team's pitcher.

Going for the steal, Mark Bittinger leads off first base. He is always up for a challenge because he "enjoys stopping all the balls at shortstop."

Batter up! Shane Weaver is poised and ready for the pitch from the opposing team.

Angela Sharpless



Getting ready for the game, Mark Bittinger and Bret DeWitt wish each other luck.

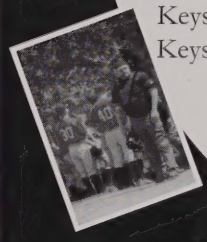
At third base, Matt Fitzwater prepares for any ground balls that may come his way.

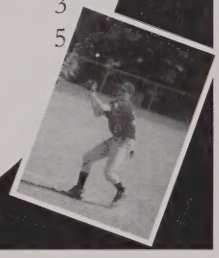
Getting ready to strike out his batter, Mark Bittinger prepares for the pitch.

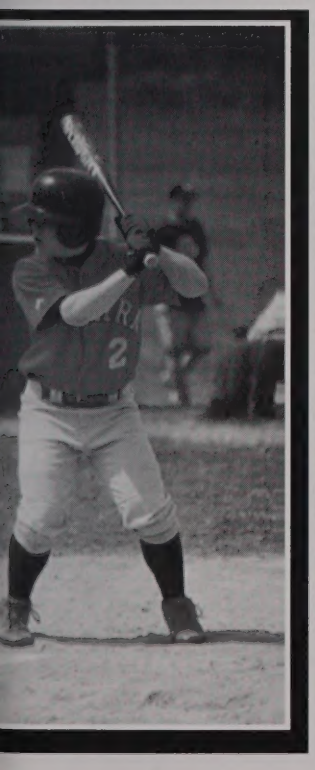
Bret DeWitt sizes up the pitcher and prepares for the pitch.

## Scoreboard

| Team | Us | Them |
|---|---|---|
| Hampshire | 13 | 5 |
| Westmar | 8 | 5 |
| Fort Hill | 6 | 8 |
| Fort Hill | 7 | 10 |
| Frankfort | 10 | 0 |
| Frankfort | 6 | 5 |
| Beall | 3 | 2 |
| Beall | 10 | 11 |
| Allegany | 5 | 9 |
| Allegany | 5 | 6 |
| Northern | 0 | 4 |
| Northern | 5 | 6 |
| Preston | 12 | 10 |
| Preston | 8 | 1 |
| Keyser | 8 | 3 |
| Keyser | 6 | 5 |







JV team members (not in pictured order): Anthony Schrock, Shane Weaver, Justin Ratliff, Chris Care, Bret DeWitt, Matt Davis, Ryan DeWitt, Spenser Barnard, Seth Fike, Tim Reams, Jason Wakefield, Mike Edwards, Mark Bittinger, Matt Fitzwater.

jv baseball

Angel Sharpless

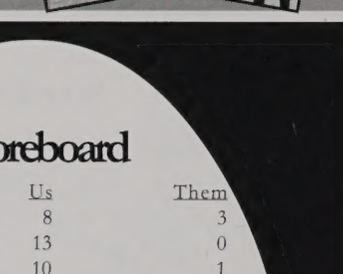
# varsity baseball

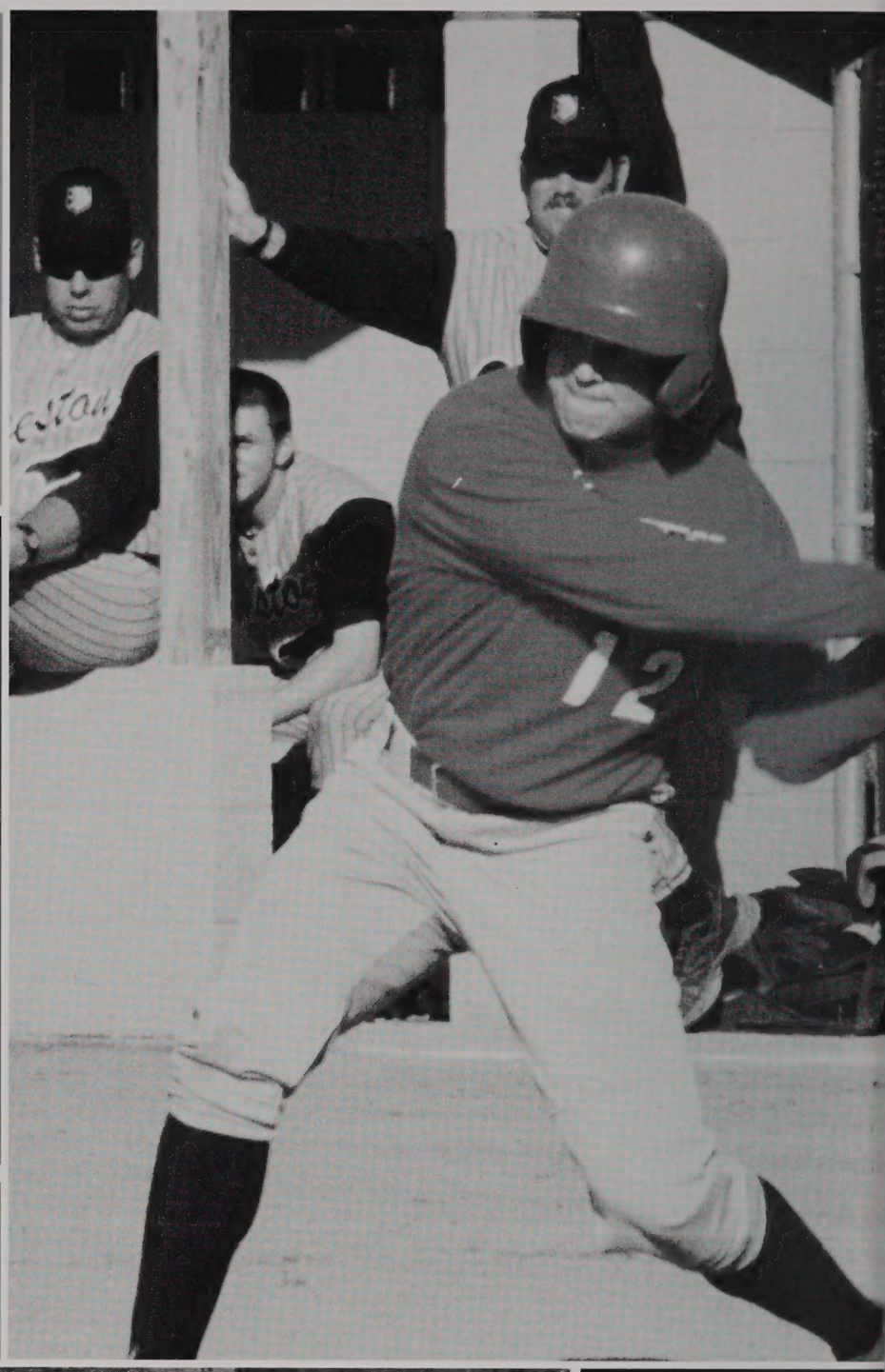
Chris Smith transferred here from Frankfort last year and has been a huge asset to the baseball team.

With a determined look on his face, Brad Reese connects with the ball against Preston.

Corey Burrell leads off first base and focuses on the pitcher before making his next move.

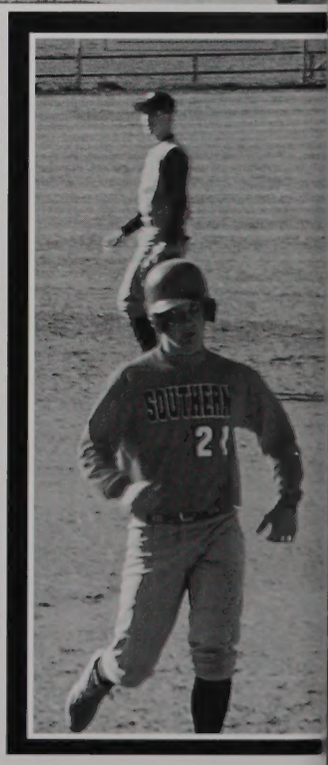
Billy Reams and Chris Smith work well together. This pitcher and catcher duo can be found behind the plate and on the mound during many games.





## Scoreboard

| Team | Us | Them |
|---|---|---|
| Hampshire | 8 | 3 |
| Allegany | 13 | 0 |
| Preston | 10 | 1 |
| Keyser | 19 | 4 |
| Fort Hill | 4 | 3 |
| Westmar | 15 | 3 |
| Petersburg | 12 | 7 |
| Pendelton | 5 | 4 |
| Northern | 4 | 8 |
| Allegany | 15 | 0 |
| Keyser | 23 | 0 |
| Beall | 16 | 11 |
| Bishop Walsh | 14 | 3 |
| Preston | 5 | 1 |
| Beall | 16 | 4 |
| Bishop Walsh | 11 | 2 |
| Fort Hill | 15 | 3 |
| Westmar | 8 | 0 |



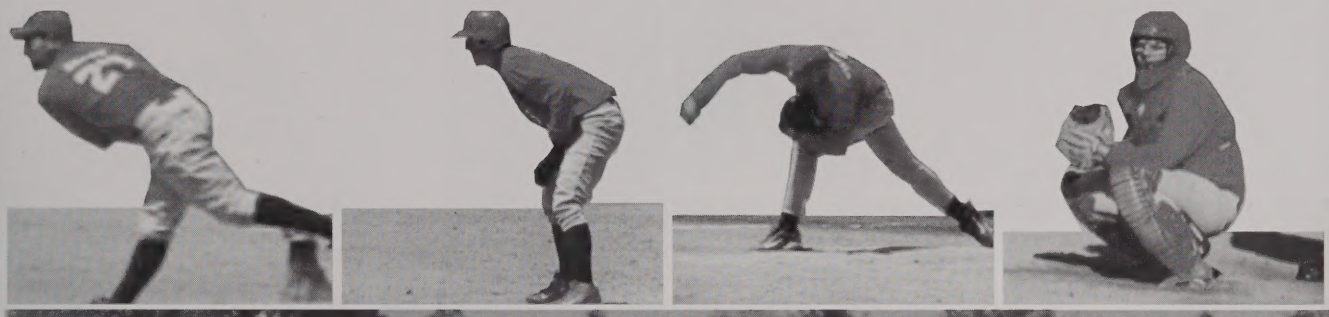
Scott Wildesen

Varsity team members: Front row: Ryan Heselbach, Tyler Graham, Corey Burrell, Brad Reese, Travis Friend, Aaron Louden; Back row: Chris Smith, Billy Reams, Cory Bosley, Curt Taylor, Scott Wildesen, Chris Miller.

# Bringing the Heat

## A Near-Perfect Season

Staff Writer: Holly Sauder



In a heartbreaking playoff game against Boonsboro, the varsity baseball team ended its ten game winning streak and nearly perfect season. Five seniors ended their high school baseball careers, leaving behind seven juniors who are ready to step up and fill the empty positions. Despite the disappointing end, Curt Taylor said, "Being able to have fun with all the guys and be on the best team around makes it worth all the time we put into it." The players all commented on the bonding and friendships that developed throughout the season, but they have a lot more to brag about. The guys outscored their opponents by 164 runs and ended with a nearly perfect record. Coached by Jim Bosley, the team ended 17-1.

The infielders gather around the mound and pitcher Chris Smith for a pep talk during a big game.

One of Southern's many talented pitchers, Scott Wildesen, throws a strike for the team.

After rounding first base and looking to second, Tyler Graham decides to play it safe and heads back to first.

Doug Upole

# Hit and Run

Staff Writer: Stephanie DiSimone

## *Leaving Them in the Dust*

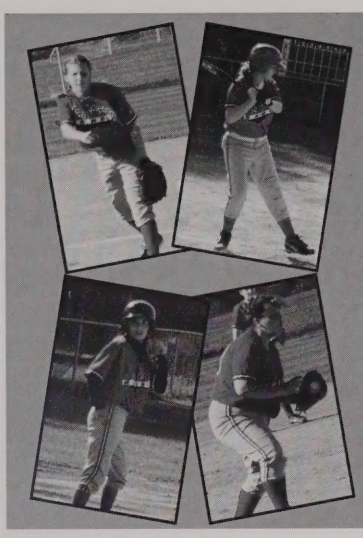
The junior varsity softball team had a great season, even though they did not manage to win all of their games. "They were a very positive group of girls with true sportsmanship qualities that was reflected in their respect for their coaches, team members, and the umpires," stated Coach Mark. They did very well as a young team and when they hit the field for their first game, it all came together. The girls played hard and were definitely a spirited and enthusiastic team who maintained a love for the game regardless of the final score.

"Lauren Shue was the only pitcher on the team. I remember one game she kept hitting just one girl every time she got up to hit," said Natalie Rohrbaugh.

Keith Wilt

Emma Ringer shared, "One of the best parts of being on the team was how we close we were. We were like sisters."

Erin Browning and Charise Tasker enjoyed being on the team together. Erin Browning confessed, "It was hard at first. Then I got to know everyone and had good times after that."



"I had a lot of fun pitching this season, even though we could have had a better season."
-Lauren Shue

"I enjoyed this year being on the junior varisty team. All of us had so much fun and learned a lot."
-Amber Plank

"The season was good. We improved a lot. Even though we didn't win, we were still winners. I'd like to congratulate all of my teammates. Meow!"
-Katie Marks

"I thought we had a great JV team this year. We'll miss the girls who will move up to varsity next year."
-Nicole Harvey

## Scoreboard

| Team | Us | Them |
|---|---|---|
| University | 10 | 10 |
| Northern | 10 | 5 |
| Northern | 13 | 4 |
| Allegany | 5 | 15 |
| Morgantown | 13 | 8 |
| Westmar | 20 | 8 |
| Fort Hill | 1 | 3 |
| Fort Hill | 3 | 13 |
| Allegany | 9 | 13 |
| Westmar | 10 | 11 |

# junior varsity softball

Front row: Erin Browning, Andria Dale, Nicole Harvey, Jade Ream, Katie Mark, Angie Kahl, Natalie Rohrbaugh. Back row: Emma Ringer, Amber Plank, Elizabeth Ray, Lauren Shue, Jennifer Steyer, Charise Tasker

Thomas Miller

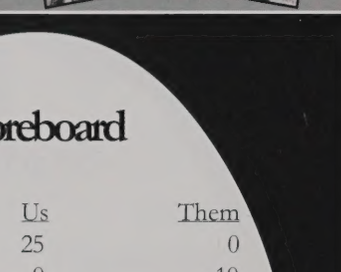
# varsity softball

Tracy Rush works hard to constantly improve her game. She enjoys softball because it is fun and she makes new friends.

Jenna Rush relaxes in the dugout after a hard game. Rush returned to the field this season after taking a year off.

Kayla Nazelrod meets Sarah Mullenax on the mound to help her relax during a big game.

Becca Flanagan anxiously awaits a pitch from the opposing pitcher.



## Scoreboard

| Team | Us | Them |
|---|---|---|
| Keyser | 25 | 0 |
| Fort Hill | 0 | 10 |
| Hampshire | 11 | 0 |
| University | 5 | 6 |
| Hampshire | 3 | 2 |
| Northern | 14 | 9 |
| Northern | 16 | 6 |
| Allegany | 4 | 5 |
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| Morgantown | 3 | 4 |
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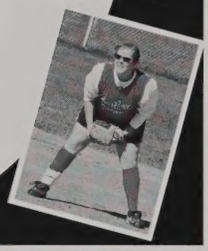
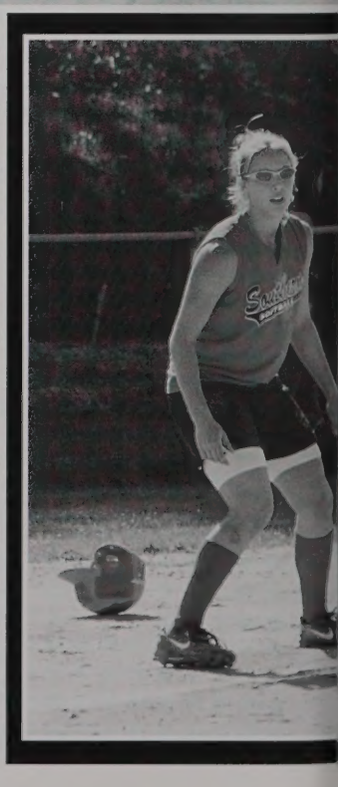
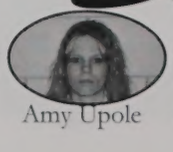
| Allegany | 2 | 15 |
| Westmar | 10 | 7 |







Amy Upole

Front row: Kayla Nazelrod; Second row: Tracy Rush, Julia Bosley, Ashley Metcalfe, Emily Bowman, Sarah Bittinger; Third row: Coach John Coffman, Sharon Harvey, Stephanie Brenneman, Sarah Mullenax, Caitlyn Brown, Jenna Rush, Coach Chris Metcalfe

# In the Swing

## Girls Leave Opponents in the Outfield

Staff Writer: Holly Sauder

A new coach, for the second season in a row, and bad weather didn't stop the varsity softball team from winning games. The girls maintained a winning record and outscored their opponents by 46 runs throughout 13 games. Coach John Coffman took over the softball team this year after serving as assistant coach last year. His favorite aspect of coaching is seeing the excitement on the girls' faces when they are successful. "Softball was fun this year because Coffman helped us have fun," Julia Bosley commented. "The team's strength lies in its ability to hit," Coffman stated. Several of the girls have averages over.300. Their excellent hitting wasn't quite enough for the girls to leave their mark in their state tournament though. They fell 10-9 to Williamsport in a disappointing play-off game.

Screaming girls gather around Stephanie Brenneman to celebrate one of her many home runs.

Ashley Metcalfe beams with pride as she pulls of her helmet after scoring a run.

Becca Flanagan rounds third and looks for her chance to run home in the third inning of a game where the Rams were up by seven runs.

Krista Friend

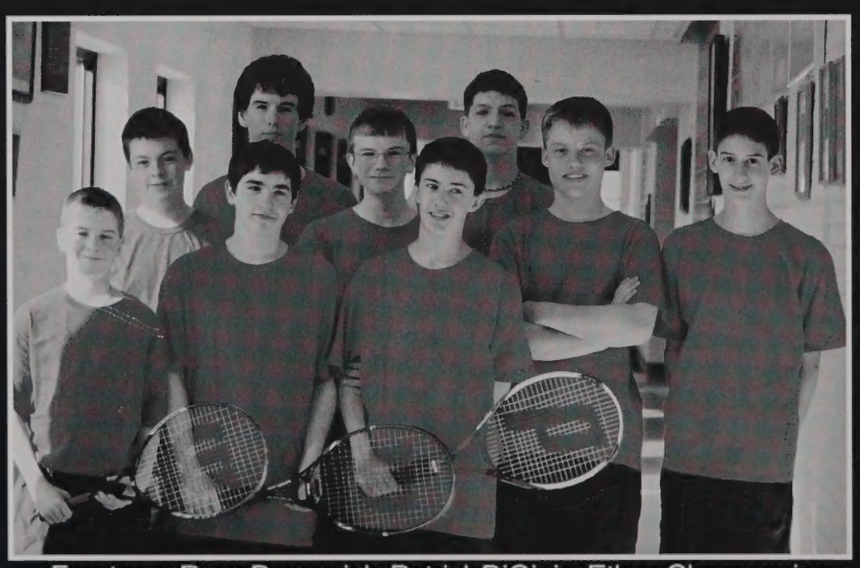
# Set & Serve

## back in full swing

Staff Writers: Krista Hanline and Lori Fox

Starting out this season was very difficult for the tennis team because most of the participants were new to the game. It took them a while to adapt to the new coaches and the game itself. Justine Pagenhardt and Sabrina Scheffel, as a doubles team, were second in bicounties and qualified for regionals. The girls team finished the season with five wins and five losses while the boys team ended with three wins and seven losses. Although their experience was lacking, they still ended the season with their heads held high. After not having a tennis team last year, it was good to see that tennis at Southern is back in full swing!



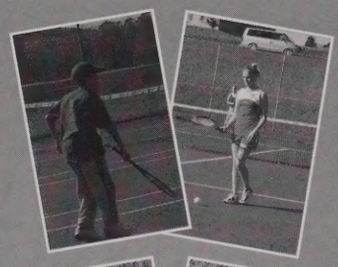


Front row: Ryan Domenick, Patrick DiGioia, Ethan Chorpenning; Second row: Cody Brack, Jason Fike, Logan Craig, Brian Georg; Back row: Nick Perry, Willie Davis.

Heather Schultzaberger

"Sabrina and I did well this season considering it was our first year ever playing doubles together." - Justine Pagenhardt

Sabrina Scheffel waits to return the ball back to her opponent for a kill.



"Even though we did not have a great season, we still had a fun time. I want my cookie, Coach!"
-Ryan Domenick

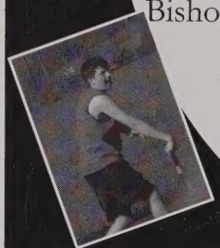
"I did well even though it was my first year. I love my dressy!"
-Jasmine Scheffel

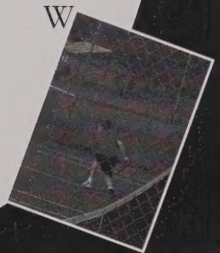
"We had a good season and I know we will get better in later years."
-Hannah Watkins

"I hope to do better next year and have just as much fun."
-Brian Georg

## Scoreboard

| Team | Boys | Girls |
|---|---|---|
| Preston | L | W |
| Bishop Walsh | L | W |
| Preston | L | W |
| Allegany | W | L |
| Beall | L | L |
| Allegany | W | L |
| Northern | L | L |
| Northern | L | L |
| Beall | W | W |
| Bishop Walsh | L | W |





Front row: Bailey Michael, Ann Johnson; Second row: Joanne Buckle, Jackie Skeweris, Jessica Hamiliton, Stacey Sanders, Sabrina Scheffel, Autumn Wood, Hannah Watkins; Back row: Elizabeth Thayer, Jessica Sherwood, Hannah Logsdon, Jasmine Scheffel, Ashley Roush, Justine Pagenhardt.

# tennis

Ashley Dick

Cody Brack

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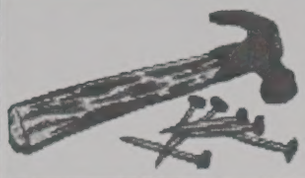
Nicole Tressler



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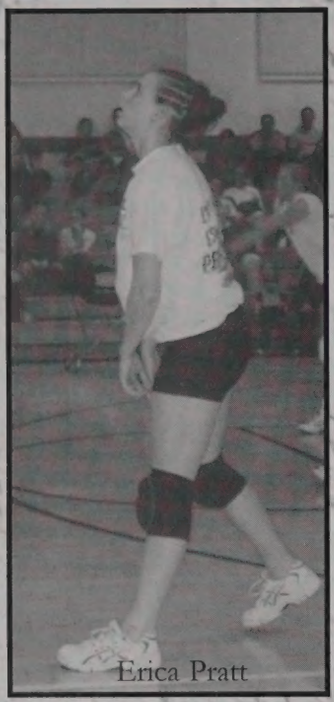
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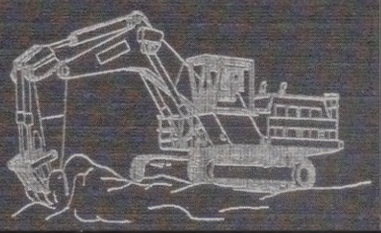

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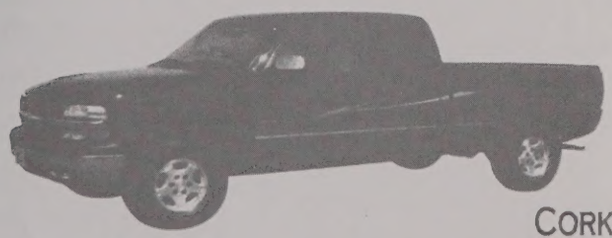

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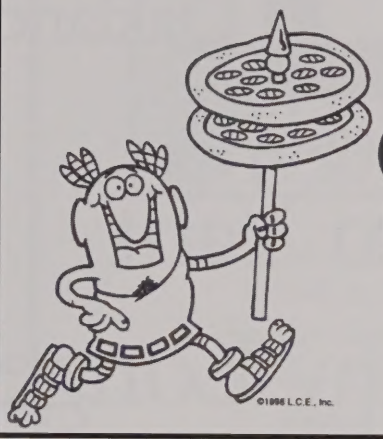


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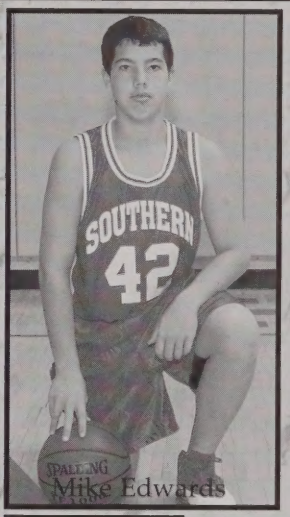


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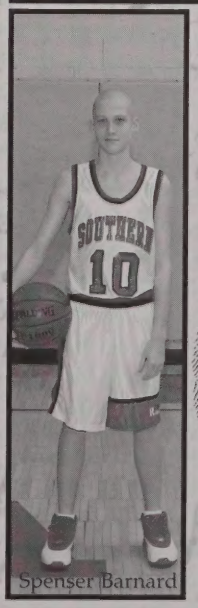


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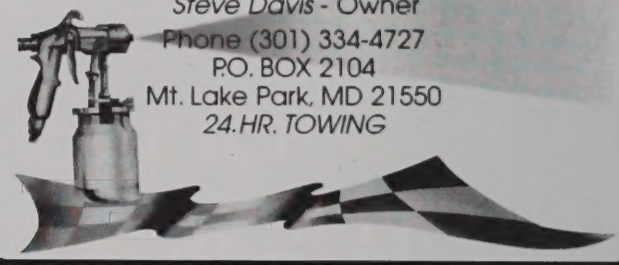

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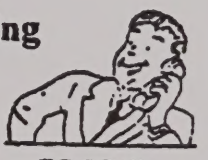

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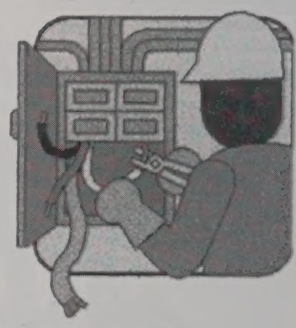

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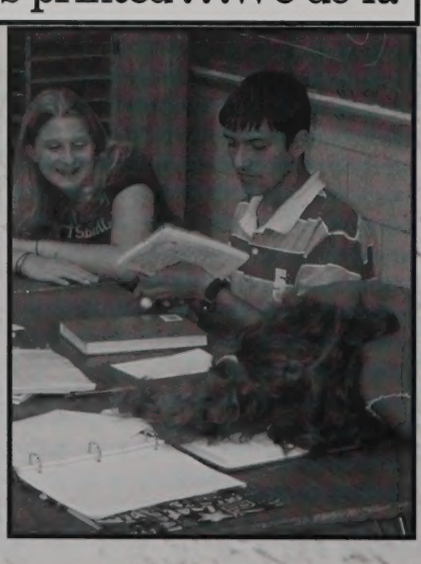
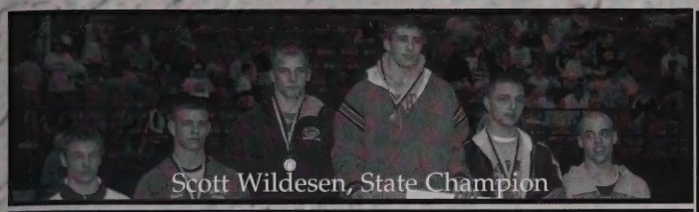
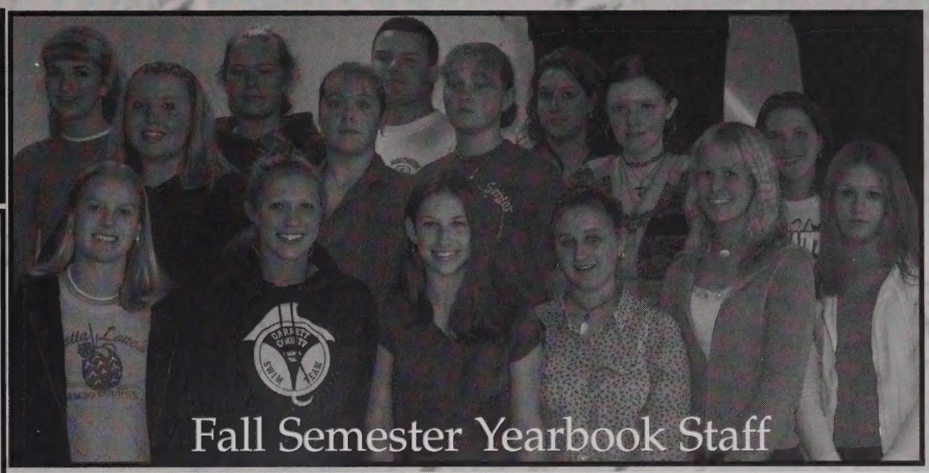




Scott Wildesen, State Champion



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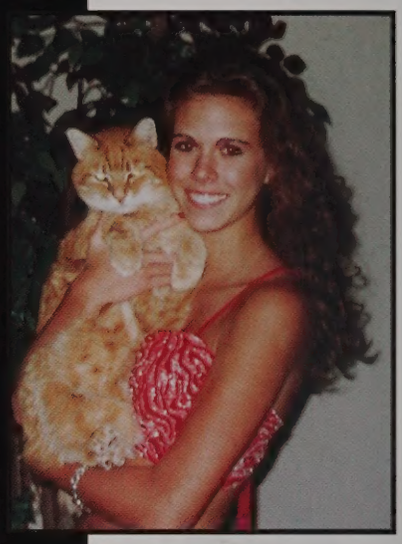

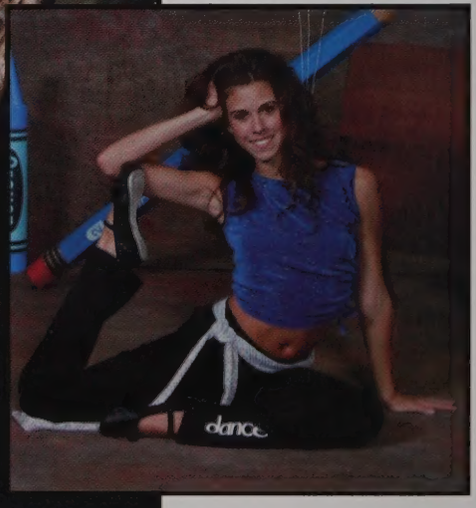


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*May God Bless You Always,*

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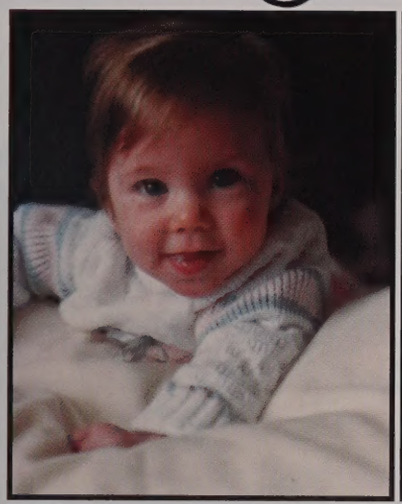
# Ann Johnson



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*So proud of the young woman you've become*
*We love you dearly*
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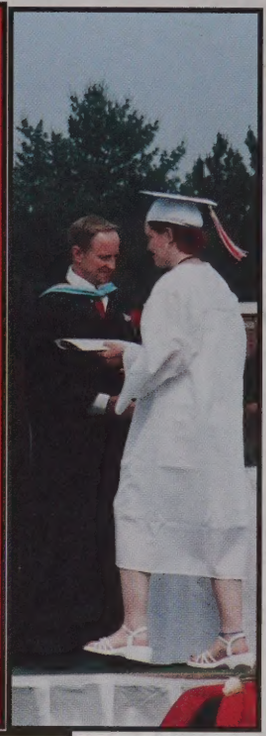
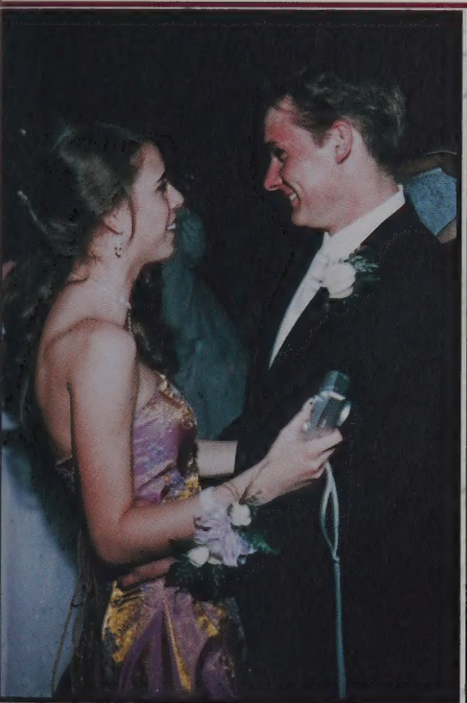
# Kasey Bell

*Dear Kasey,*
*The years have passed so quickly! All the laughs and tears in your life have made you into the beautiful person you are.*
*We love you!*
*Mom, Dad, & Ted*





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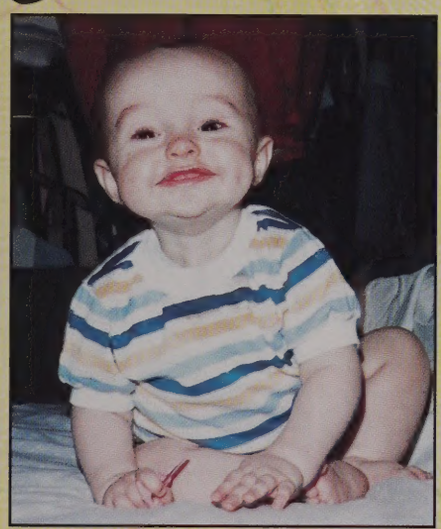
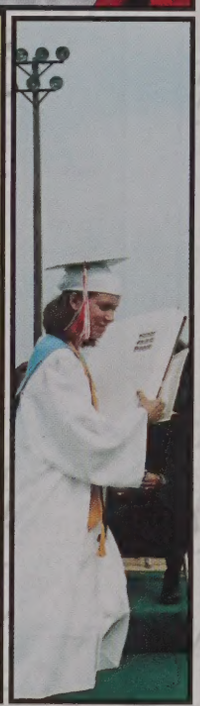


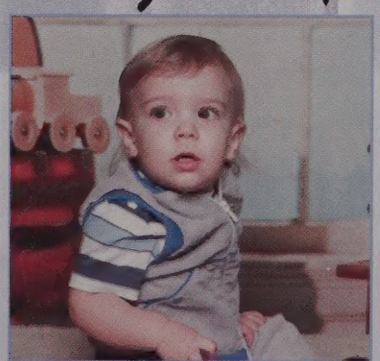
*Just keep smiling, Nick!*
*Congratulations on your graduation!*



# Sara & Stephanie DiSimone

**We are so proud of you both. Keep smiling. We love you!**
**-- Mom & Dad**

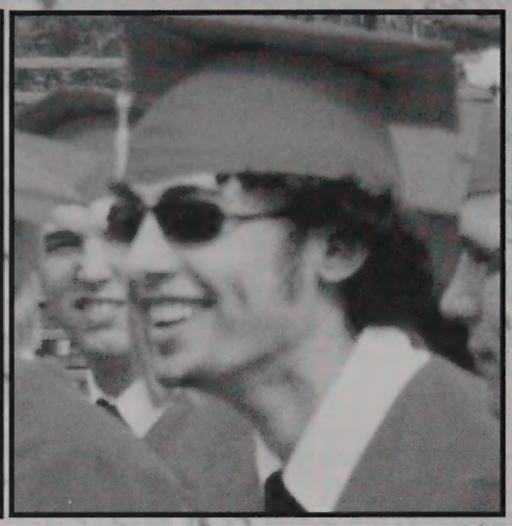
# Robby Steuple



We were all pleased at Robby's early start
With amazingly detailed, excellent art.
He drew various things but seemed mostly struck
With creating great pictures of monster trucks.

And as he's matured his interests have grown
From drawing, to sports, and yet he is prone
When his studies end and the summer comes
To be at a derby 'til just one car runs.

Congratulations, Robby!
Love, From all your family

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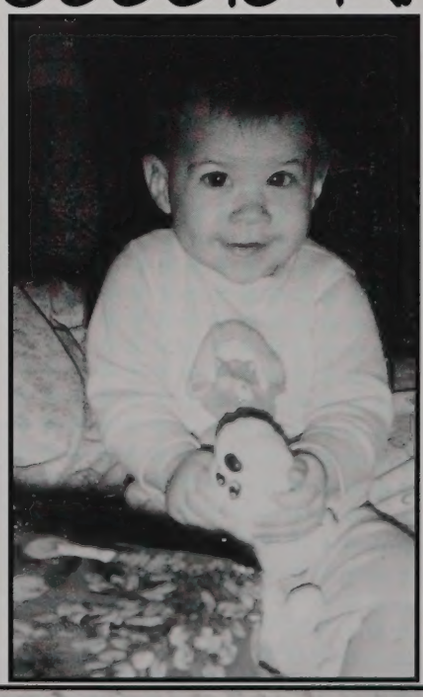

*Congratulations!*

*From my little baby girl, you have turned out to be a fine young lady. We are proud of you. May God bless you and keep you safe as you achieve your highest goals. Keep smiling!*

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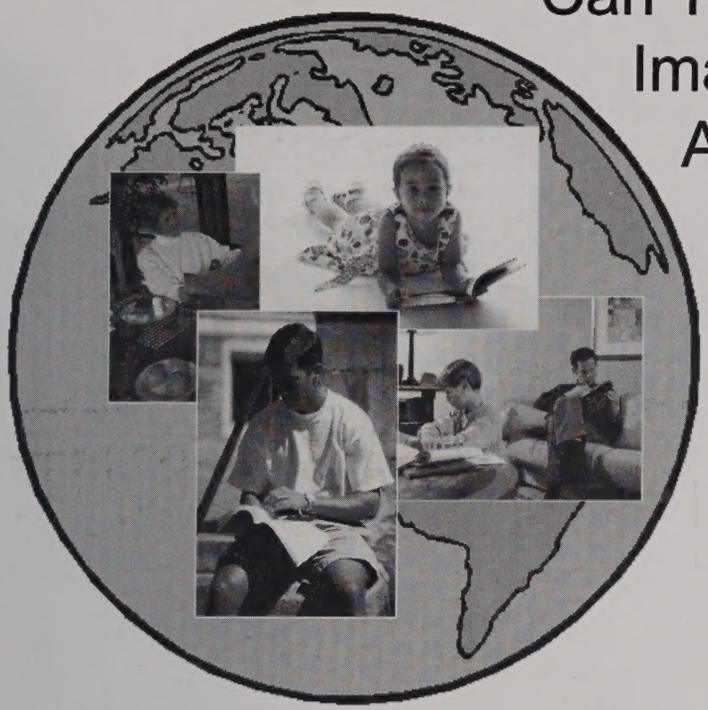

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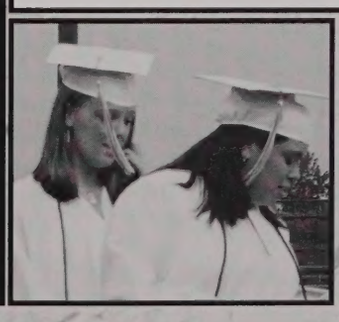

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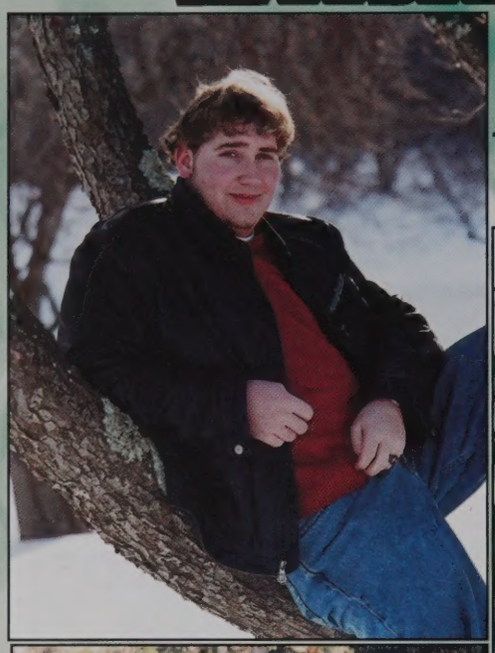

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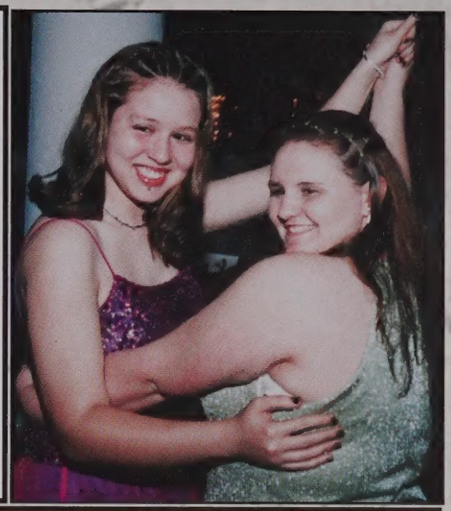


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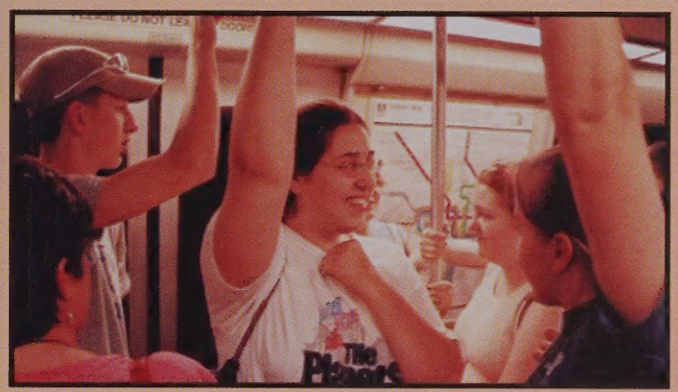

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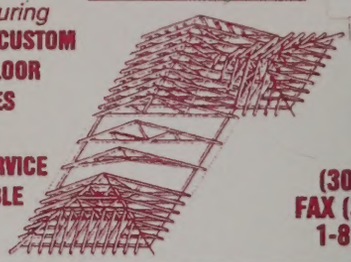

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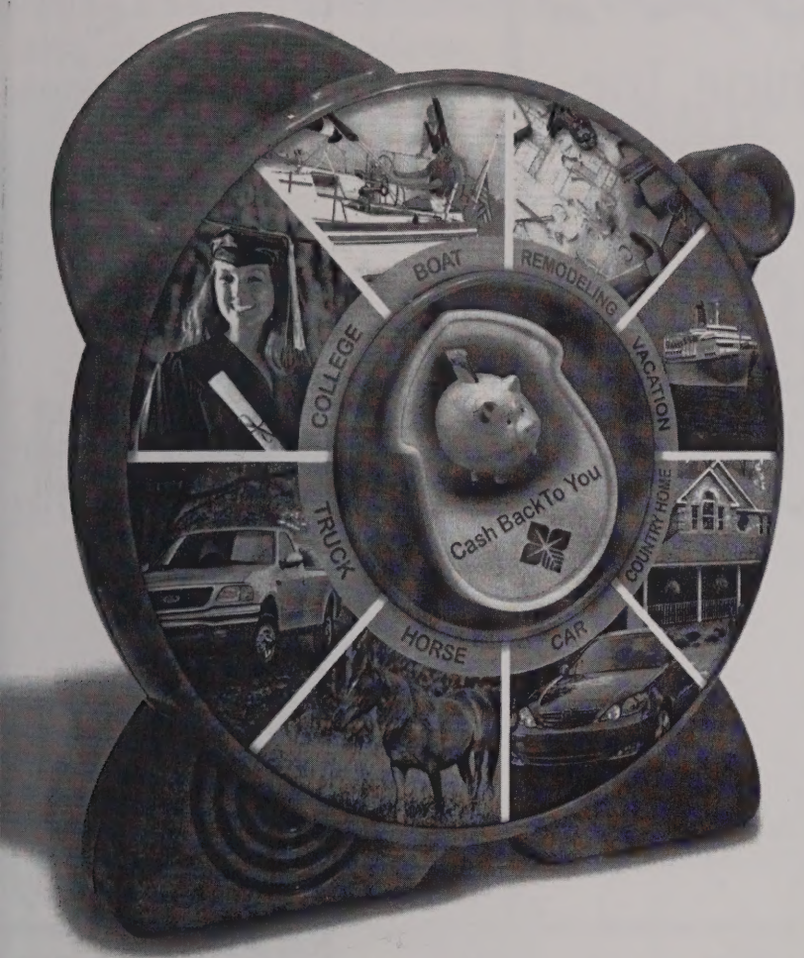


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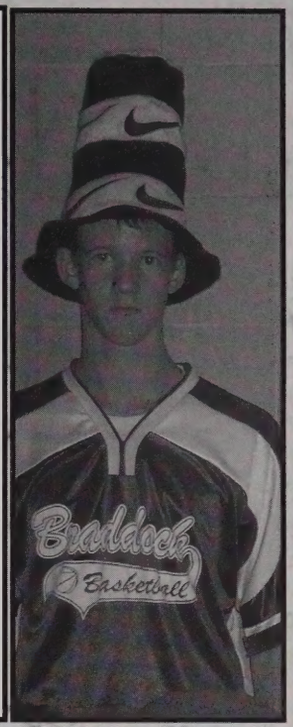


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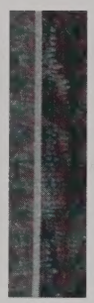

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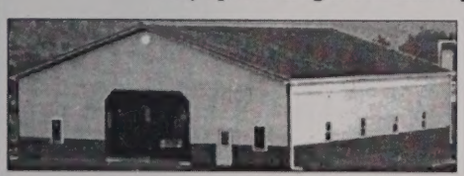

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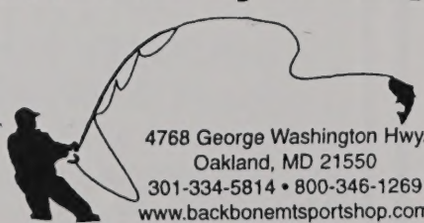

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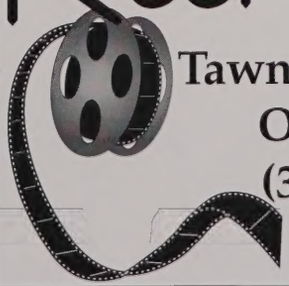

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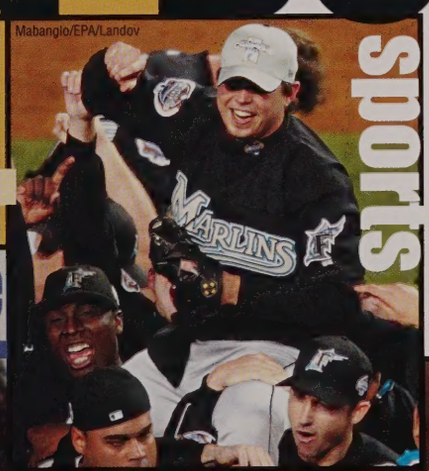


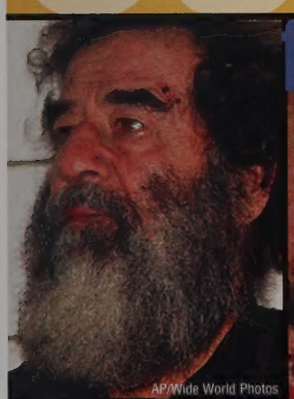


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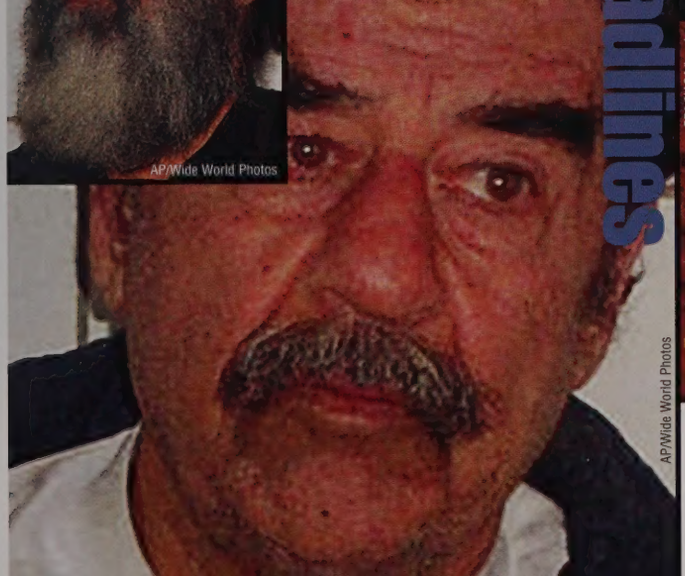


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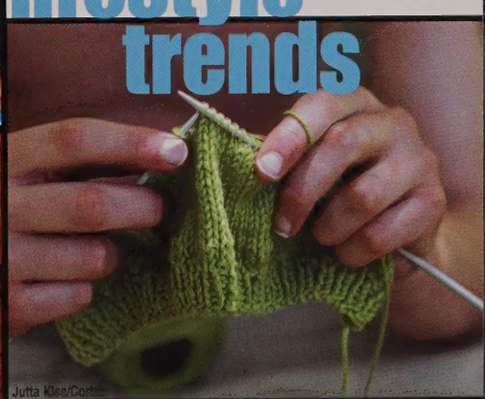

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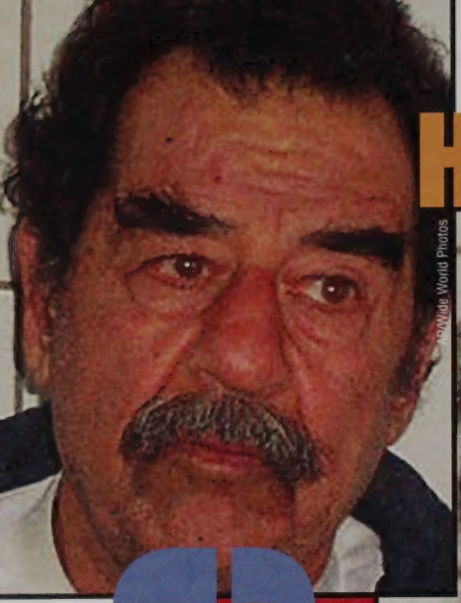

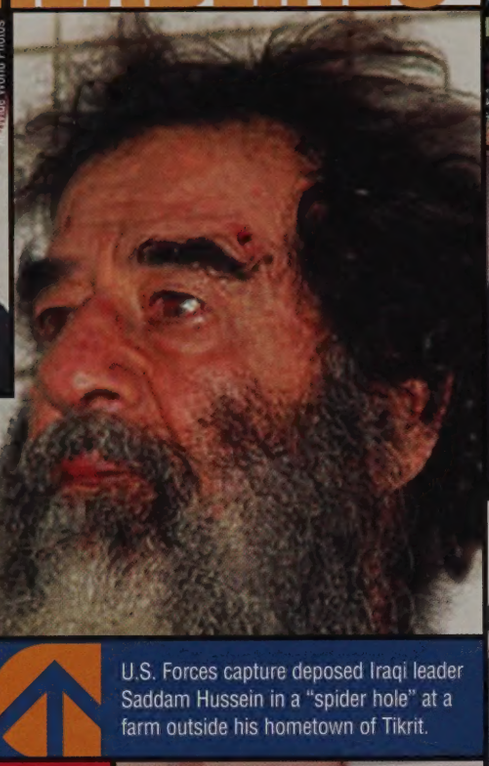

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U.S. Forces capture deposed Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein in a "spider hole" at a farm outside his hometown of Tikrit.

Richard H. Cohen/Corbis

← A fatal Staten Island Ferry crash in New York harbor leaves 10 dead and dozens injured after the pilot loses consciousness and slams into the dock.

Ed Andrieski/AP/Wide World Photos

← NBA star Kobe Bryant of the Los Angeles Lakers is charged with the sexual assault of a 19-year-old Colorado woman.

Gary Tramontina/Bloomberg News/Landov

← A federal appellate court orders the removal of a Ten Commandments monument from the Alabama Supreme Court building, citing violation of the First Amendment.

→ In October, the Federal Trade Commission initiates the National Do Not Call Registry to minimize the number of telemarketing calls consumers receive.

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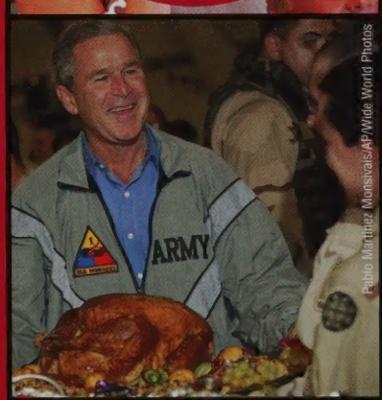
## flash

The economy shows signs of recovery when the Dow Jones Industrial Average tops 10,000 points for the first time in over 18 months on December 12.

→ President Bush becomes the first U.S. president to visit Iraq when he makes an unannounced Thanksgiving visit with troops stationed there.



Pablo Martinez Monsivais/AP/Wide World Photos

The worst wildfires in California history claim 22 lives, destroy more than 3,400 homes and consume 750,000 acres of land.

→ The abduction of University of North Dakota student Dru Sjodin, 22, results in the arrest of convicted sex offender Alfonso Rodriguez Jr., 50.

Reuters/Landov

Frederic Larson/San Francisco Chronicle/Corbis SABA

# headlines

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→ Michael Jackson is arrested on multiple counts of child abuse after an accusation from a 12-year-old boy.



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→ The Center for Disease Control and Prevention declares obesity an American epidemic, with 64 percent of the population overweight.

↑ U.S. Army Pfc. Jessica Lynch, a POW of the war in Iraq, becomes a media sensation after her rescue by U.S. Forces is aired on the news.

Mark J. Terrill/AP/Wide World Photos

← Action star Arnold Schwarzenegger replaces Gray Davis as governor of California in a highly publicized recall election.

Brian Snyder/Reuters/Landov

← Americans rush to receive vaccinations as the country is hit hard by a new strand of the influenza virus.

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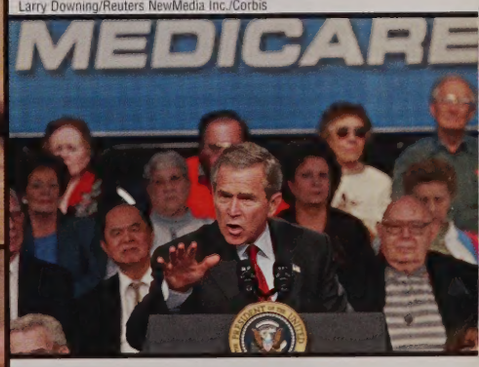


Larry Downing/Reuters NewMedia Inc./Corbis

↑ President Bush signs a controversial bill calling for a $400 billion Medicare overhaul.

← Scott Peterson stands trial on murder charges in the slaying of his pregnant wife, Laci, and their unborn son.

On August 14, the largest North American blackout occurs when three Ohio line failures leave more than 50 million people in eight states and Canada without power.

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# GLOBAL

Goran Tomasevic/Reuters/Landov

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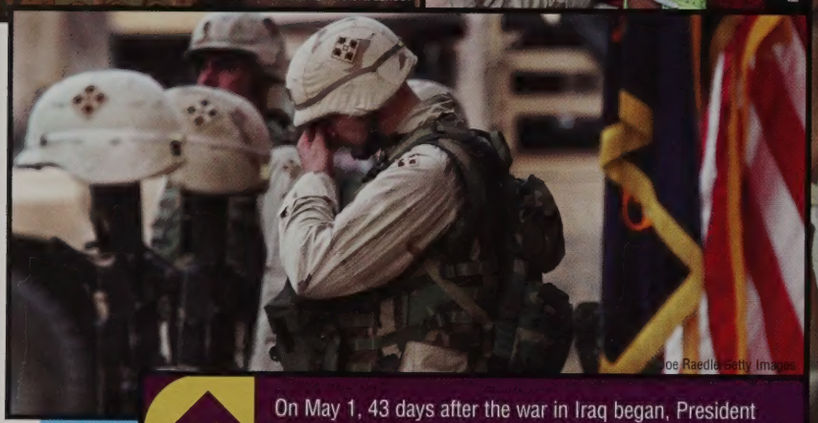
Franck Prevel/AP/Wide World Photos

← A European heat wave in August claims more than 19,000 lives, making it one of the world's deadliest hot-weather disasters.


Joe Raedle/Getty Images

On May 1, 43 days after the war in Iraq began, President Bush declares "major combat operations in Iraq have ended." As hundreds of thousands of U.S. and British forces remain to restore peace and deliver aid to Iraqi citizens, more soldiers are killed in the months after the war than during it.

Bazuki Muhammad/Reuters/Landov

← The World Health Organization reports that severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS) infected more than 8,000 people in over 25 countries, killing 700.

# global

→ Around the world, "flash mobs" — large groups of people recruited by anonymous organizers via the Internet — gather, perform a wild act and quickly disperse.

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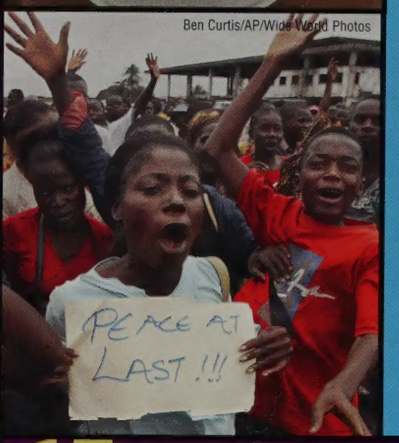

Ben Curtis/AP/Wide World Photos

← An Economic Community of West African States peacekeeping coalition ends 14 years of fighting between Liberian rebels and government forces, sending tyrant Charles Taylor into exile.

→ In a dramatic six-day ordeal, rescue workers save 44 of 46 Russian miners trapped in a water-filled coal mine.

Sergei Ventyavkin/AP/Wide World Photos

On December 26, a devastating earthquake measuring 6.6 on the Richter scale strikes the Iranian city of Bam, killing more than 41,000 people.

Stephan Sattler/Sygma/Corbis

→ Tens of thousands of Palestinians are cut off from family and livelihoods when Israel builds a concrete barrier beyond the cease-fire line in an effort to curtail Palestinian terrorist activities.

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# human interest

Lorena Sopena/AP/Wide World Photos

→ During the summer of 2003, low-risk prison inmates help battle Southern California's wildfires for only $1 an hour.

Bill Greenblatt/UPI/Landov

→ At a St. Louis dog shelter, Cain, a one-year-old mutt, survives tranquilization and a trip to the gas chamber and is then adopted by the animal shelter owner.

Lower Manhattan Development Corp./AP/Wide World Photos

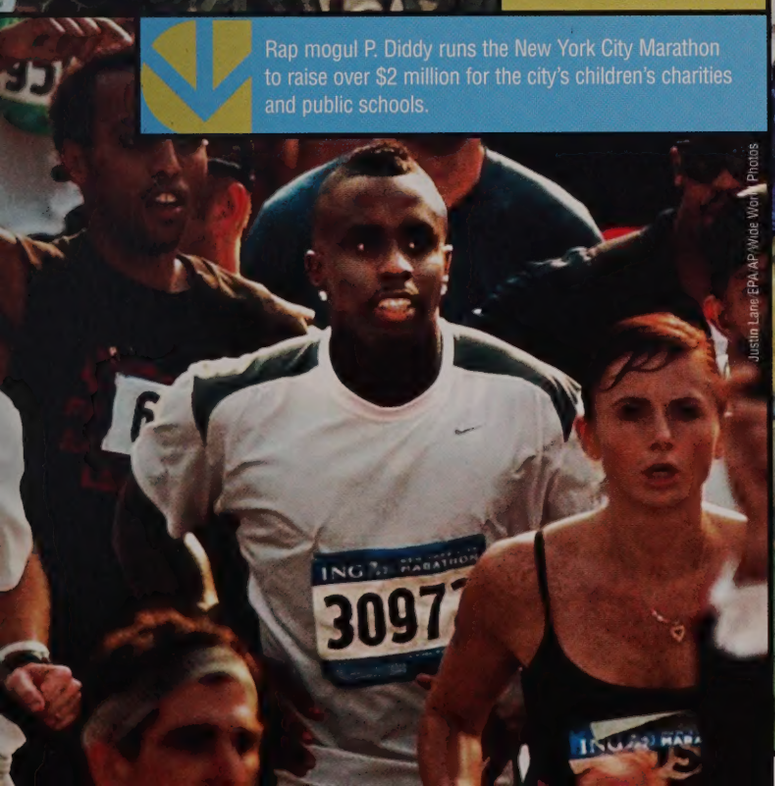
↑ The world's tallest structure—a 1,776-foot spire—anchors a memorial entitled "Reflecting Absence," which is chosen to fill the World Trade Center site.

Peter [illegible]/Reuters/Landov

← Comedian Robin Williams travels to Baghdad to lighten the spirits of U.S. troops as he kicks off a holiday tour of U.S. bases in the Middle East.

Richard Barson/Reuters/Landov

← While aboard the International Space Station, Russian cosmonaut Yuri Malenchenko marries his American girlfriend by video link in the first "space wedding."


Justin Lane/EPA/AP/Wide World Photos

↓ Rap mogul P. Diddy runs the New York City Marathon to raise over $2 million for the city's children's charities and public schools.

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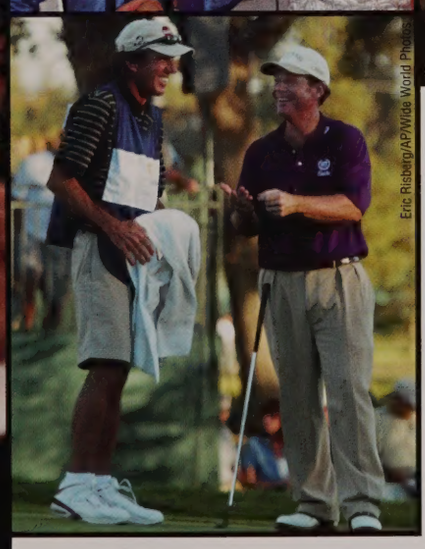
↑ Iranian lawyer Shirin Ebadi wins the 2003 Nobel Peace Prize for human rights activism as she fights to improve the status of refugees, women and children in Iran.


Eric Risberg/AP/Wide World Photos

← Golfer Tom Watson donates his $1 million Charles Schwab Cup winnings to fund research for Lou Gehrig's disease, which has stricken his caddie, Bruce Edwards.

# techno SCIENCE

EPA/NASA/Landov

In January 2004, the Mars exploration rover Spirit lands safely and NASA releases the first 3-D images and the sharpest color photos ever taken of the surface of Mars.

Ed Betz/AP/Wide World Photos

← British Airways and Air France ground the supersonic Concordes after 27 years of service. Despite their speed, the aircraft were uneconomical to operate.

## NO SPAM

← In response to e-mail spam, the Can-Spam Act requires e-mail marketers to clearly label messages as ads and include an Internet-based opt-out feature.

Wang Jianmin/Xinhua/Corbis

← In October, China becomes the third country to travel in space when the world's first successful taikonaut, Yang Liwei, returns to Earth after 21 hours in orbit.

→ Fast-food patrons can now get their food even quicker, thanks to McDonald's introduction of self-service ordering kiosks.

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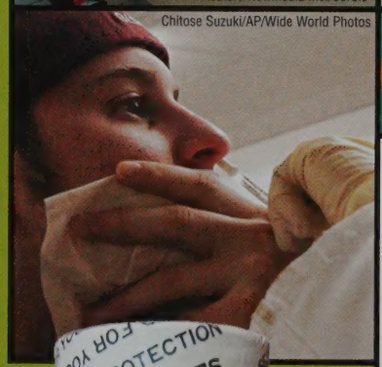
→ FluMist, America's first intranasal influenza vaccine, provides needle-wary patients with an alternative for the 2003 flu season.



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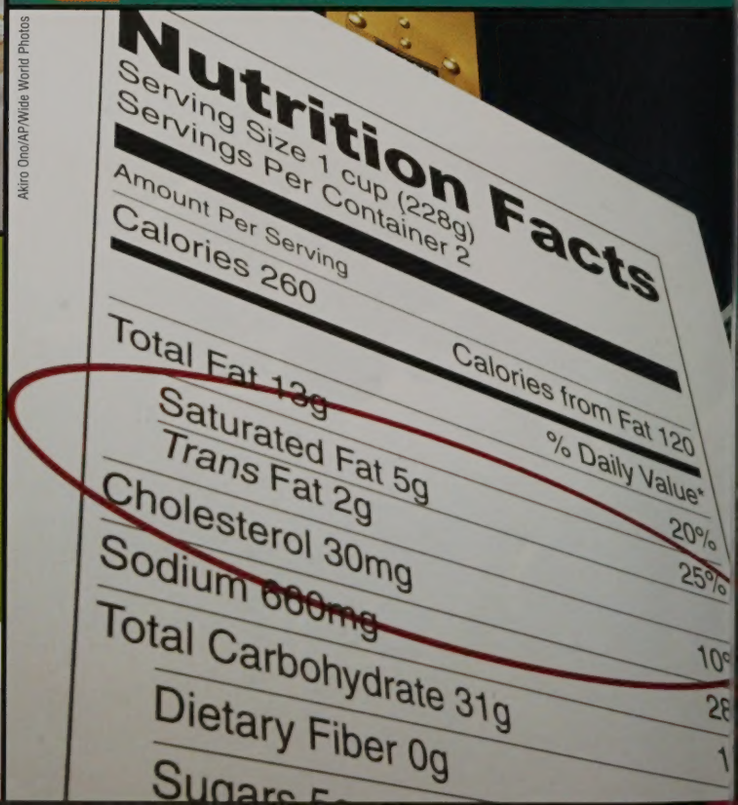
The Food and Drug Administration mandates that nutrition labels disclose the amount of cholesterol-increasing trans-fatty acids.

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→ The Food and Drug Administration bans dietary supplements containing ephedra due to health concerns and warns consumers not to take products containing the stimulant.

Steven Senne/AP/Wide World Photos

# nature

→ In June, pet prairie dogs in Wisconsin, Illinois and Indiana infect people with monkeypox after being infected by a giant Gambian rat while in transit.

Rich Miller/The Indianapolis Star/AP/Wide World Photos

→ Federal workers in Washington kill a herd of 449 calves that include the offspring of a Holstein infected with mad cow disease.

Kevin P. Casey/EPA/Landov

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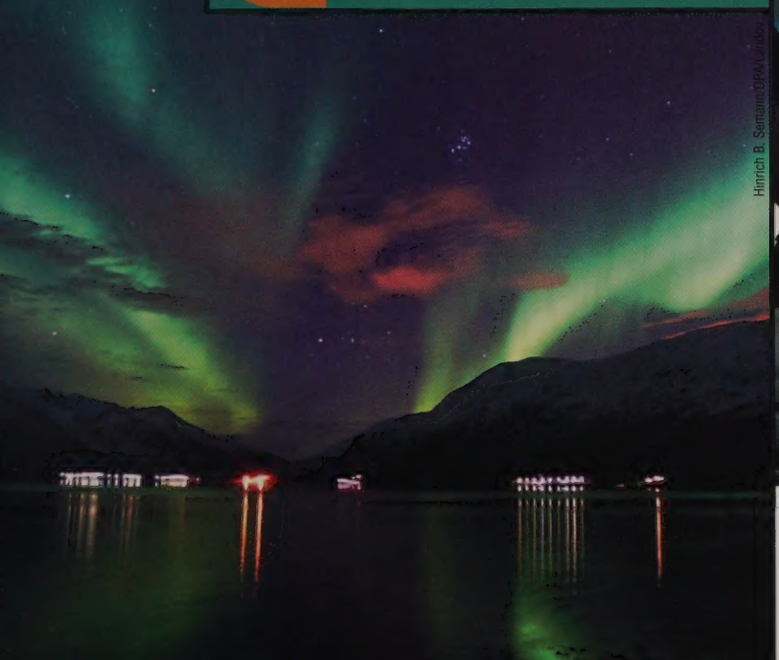
Hurricane Isabel knocks out power to more than 3.5 million people as it wreaks havoc on the nation's eastern seaboard.

Barbara Strnadova/Photo Researchers

← North American trees are threatened by Asian longhorned beetles, which allegedly arrived in Chinese wooden packing material.

The strongest solar storms to hit the Earth in 11 years cause northern lights to appear as far south as Texas.



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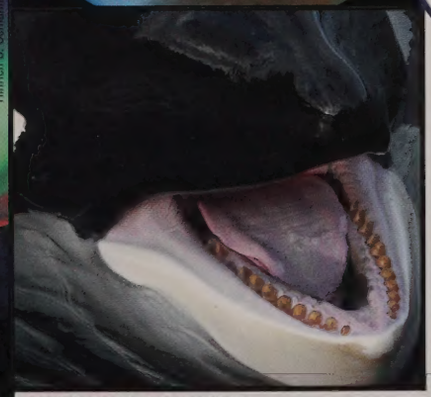
← In August, Mars' orbit brings it closer to Earth than it has been in 60,000 years.



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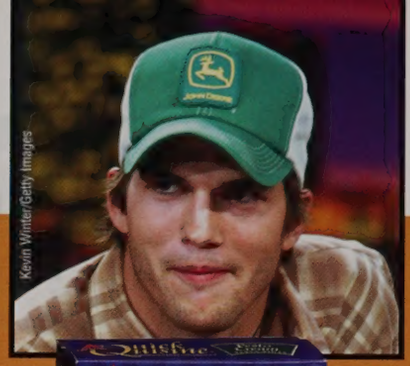
↑ American scientists discover the deterioration of the atmosphere's ozone layer is slowing. The 1996 worldwide ban on CFC gases is credited for the improvement.

← Keiko, star of the *Free Willy* movies, dies of pneumonia at the age of 27.

# TRENDS

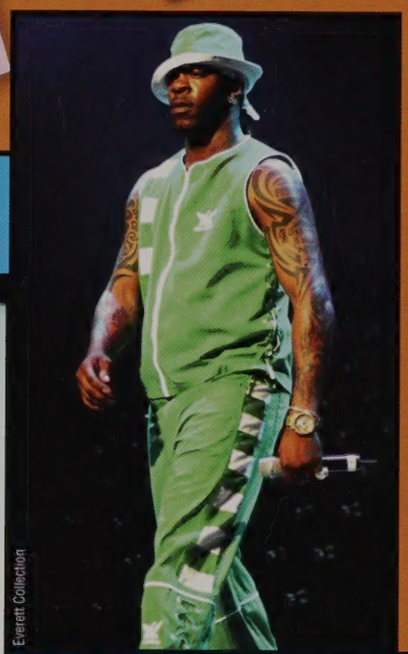
The "Laverne and Shirley" look becomes fashionable again in the retro monogram clothing and accessory trend.




Kevin Winter/Getty Images

← Celebrities like FOX's "That '70s Show" star Ashton Kutcher make the "trucker hat" a fashion must-have.

← The country goes low-carb diet crazy, with dieters demanding food products and menu items with fewer carbohydrates.



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← Popularized by music stars like Busta Rhymes and J.Lo, track suits are seen everywhere.

# trends

→ Girls get into breakdancing at events like the Qween B Breakgirl competition in San Diego, the country's biggest female breakin' competition.

Babatunde Martins

↓ With the resurgence of '80s-style rock music, '80s clothing styles make a comeback of their own.

Raymen/Reuters/Landov

American teenagers take up knitting and form knitting clubs at many schools across the country.

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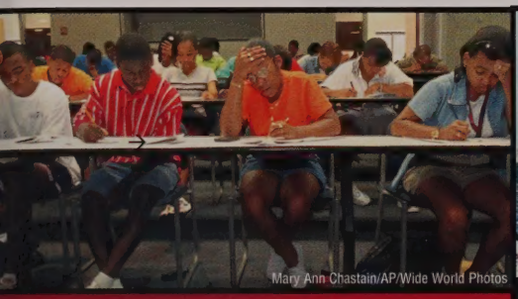
↑ The year's hottest foot fashion is the Australian-made Ugg boot, which stays cool in heat and warm in cold.



Mary Ann Chastain/AP/Wide World Photos

↑ The College Entrance Examination Board develops a revision of the SAT that tests for increased vocabulary and writing skills.

↑ The pint-sized MINI Cooper, by Motorwerks, starts a European auto revolution on U.S. streets.

Ron Edmonds/AP/Wide World Photos

Drivers find a spacious but expensive ride in the General Motors Hummer H2. In response to criticism, GM promises to release a more fuel-efficient version in the future.

# lifestyle

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← To improve lunch and vending machine nutritional values, the U.S. Department of Agriculture issues tougher regulations for American schools.

← Avon, the world's largest direct seller of beauty products, introduces mark — a new cosmetic line intended for teens to sell.

David Parket/Omni-Photo Communications

↑ In an effort to thwart counterfeiters, the U.S. Treasury releases a colorful new $20 bill, with a background blend of blue, peach and green.

Warren Morgan/Corbis

← A new study reveals the Top 10 most dangerous U.S. occupations. Lumberjack tops the list.

Affordable, over-the-counter teeth whitening kits have consumers smiling, as they no longer have to visit the dentist for this cosmetic procedure.

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# MOVIES

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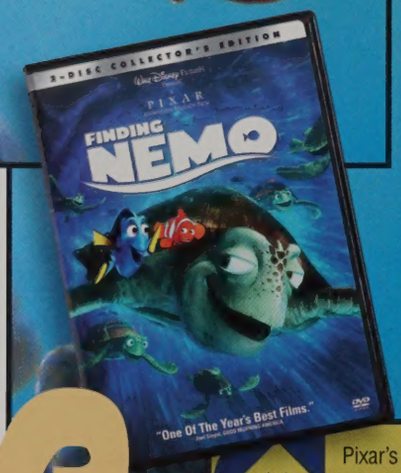

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Pixar's *Finding Nemo* swims to the top as the highest-grossing animated movie and top-selling DVD of all time in the United States.

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← Bill Murray gives a career performance in *Lost in Translation*, from director and Golden Globe-winning screenwriter Sofia Coppola.

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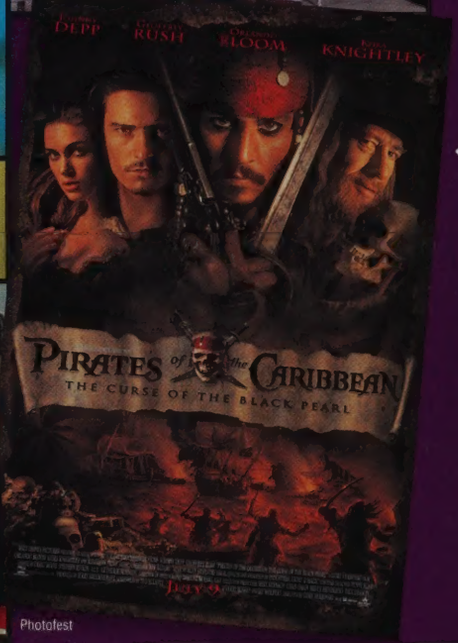
← Will Ferrell continues his comedic success in the heartwarming holiday hit *Elf*.

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← Heartthrobs Johnny Depp and Orlando Bloom make Disney's *Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl* a swashbuckling success.

→ Keira Knightley and Parminder Nagra get a kick out of breaking stereotypes on and off the soccer field in the British comedy *Bend It Like Beckham*.

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→ The two most anticipated sequels of the year, *Matrix: Reloaded* and *Matrix: Revolutions* turn out to be major disappointments for fans and critics alike.

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→ Tobey Maguire rides high in the successful summer flick *Seabiscuit*, nominated for an Academy Award for Best Picture.

Universal/Everett Collection

Frodo and company complete their epic journey in *The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King*, winner of the Golden Globe for Best Picture, Drama.

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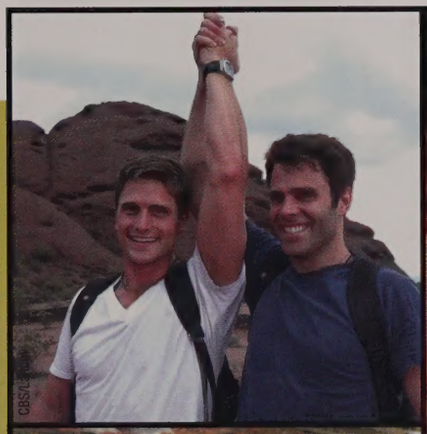
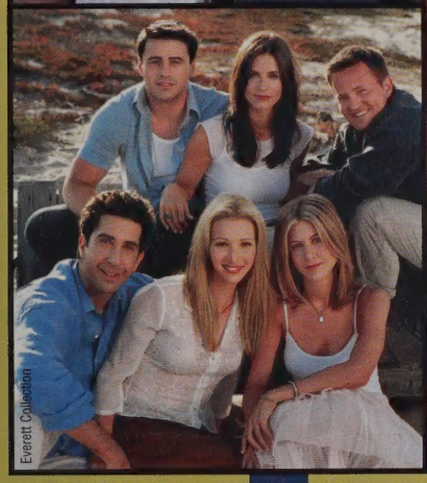
# television

→ The pulse-pounding CBS hit "The Amazing Race" wins the inaugural Emmy Award for Best Reality Program.

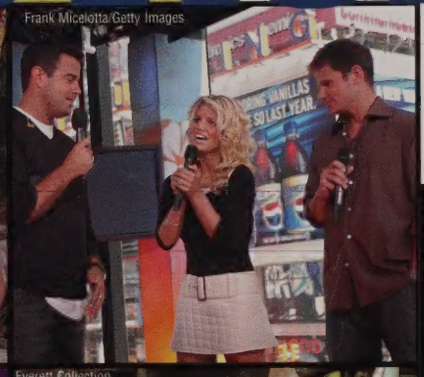


→ America bids farewell to the cast of "Friends" after the NBC sitcom's 10th and final season.



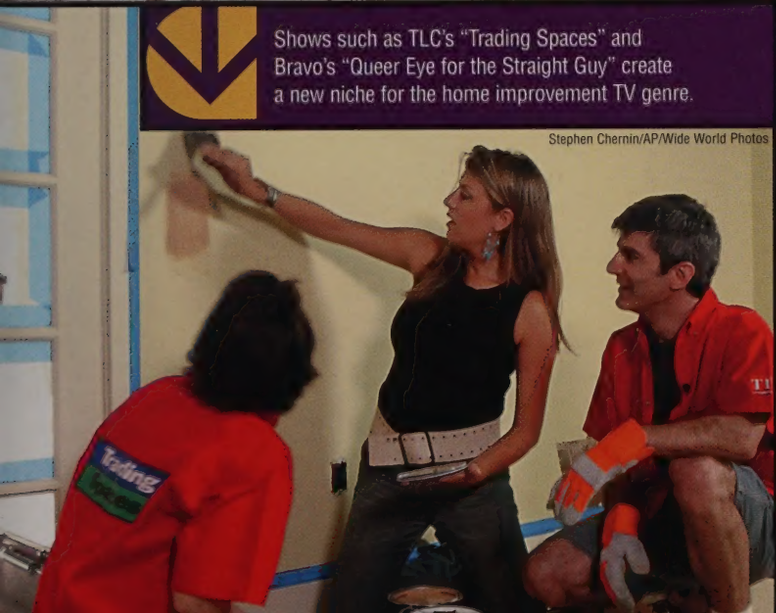
Fox uses its tried-and-true teen soap formula to come up with the biggest television hit of the year for teens, "The O.C."

↓ In February 2004, CBS airs "Survivor: All-Stars," starring past "Survivor" winners and contestants.




← Jessica Simpson, star of MTV's "Newlyweds" with husband Nick Lachey, makes entertainment headlines for mistaking Chicken of the Sea tuna for chicken.

Shows such as TLC's "Trading Spaces" and Bravo's "Queer Eye for the Straight Guy" create a new niche for the home improvement TV genre.



↑ Famous for "Three's Company" and star of ABC's "Eight Simple Rules for Dating My Teenage Daughter," actor John Ritter dies suddenly from heart failure in September.

← "Alias" star Jennifer Garner earns high viewer ratings for ABC TV and lights up the big screen in *13 Going on 30*.

# MUSIC

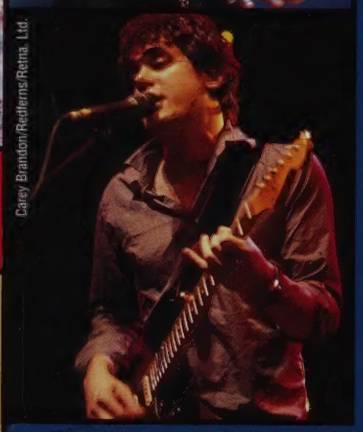
Zach Cordner/Retna, Ltd.

Superstar Beyoncé Knowles stars on the big screen, releases a hit album, *Dangerously in Love*, and wins four *Billboard* Music Awards.

← The legal battle between the music industry and music downloaders prompts lawsuits and online music purchasing outlets, while driving CD prices to their lowest point in a decade.

Kevork Djansezian/AP/Wide World Photos

← According to Nielsen SoundScan, 50 Cent's debut, *Get Rich or Die Tryin'*, is 2003's best-selling album, with 6.5 million copies sold.



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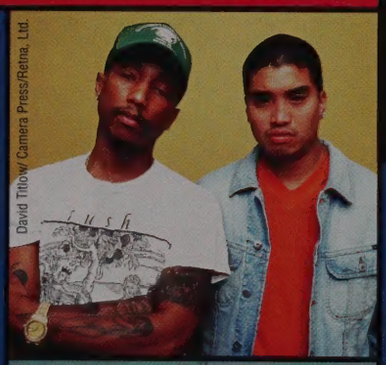
← Songwriter John Mayer wins a Grammy in 2003 for the album *Room for Squares* and follows it up with *Heavier Things*.

## music

→ The Neptunes' Pharrell Williams and Chad Hugo receive three Grammy nominations as a production duo. Williams gets three more for collaborations with Snoop Dog and Jay-Z.



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→ OutKast's genre-busting album *Speakerboxxx/ The Love Below*, featuring the infectious single "Hey Ya!," wins the Grammy for Album of the Year.

Frank Micelotta/Getty Images

→ Country music legend Johnny Cash dies at 71, but wins three CMA awards posthumously, including Best Single for his remake of the Nine Inch Nails' "Hurt."

Mark Hill/AP/Wide World Photos

## flash

Claiming that he has "had it with the rap game," Jay-Z, 33, retires after the release of *The Black Album*.

Coldplay claims the title of *Spin* magazine's Band of the Year, and the band's lead singer Chris Martin marries actress Gwyneth Paltrow.

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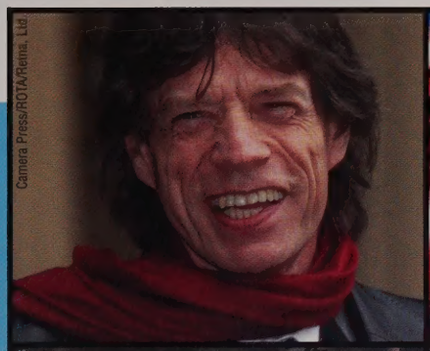
# entertainment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→ In December, Rolling Stones' legendary lead singer Mick Jagger, 60, is knighted by Prince Charles.

LucasArts

→ Role-playing games like "Star Wars: Knights of the Old Republic" find mainstream success on consoles.

Cedar Point Amusement Park/Resort, Sandusky, Ohio

Cedar Point Amusement Park in Sandusky, Ohio, boasts the world's tallest, fastest roller coaster, the Top Thrill Dragster.

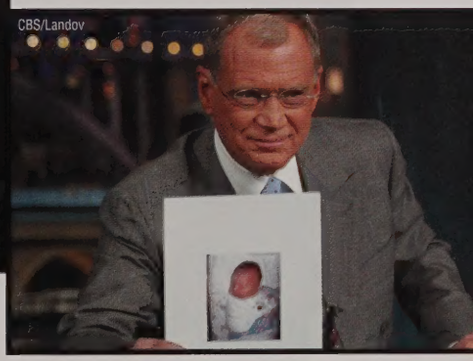
← Pop diva-turned-author Madonna releases two children's books: *The English Roses* and *Mr. Peabody's Apples*. Her third book, *Yakov and the Seven Thieves*, arrives in late winter.

Two months after being mauled by a tiger, Roy Horn, half of the famed "Siegfried and Roy" wild animal entertainment act, is released from a Las Vegas hospital.

Ethan Miller/Las Vegas Sun/Reuters NewMedia Inc./Corbis

Joan Marcus

← Hugh Jackman of *X2: X-Men United* showcases his singing ability on Broadway in *The Boy from Oz*.


CBS/Landov

↑ On CBS's "Late Show" host David Letterman, 56, announces the November birth of his first child, a baby boy.

← After the success of his best-selling fantasy novel *Eragon: Inheritance*, author Christopher Paolini, 19, begins writing the much-anticipated sequel.

# SPORTS

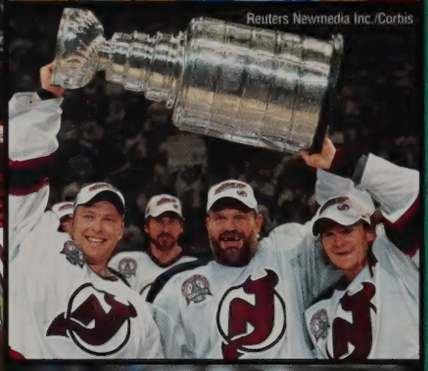
Jon Soohoo/AP/Wide World Photos

Dave Martin/AP/Wide World Photos

BCS computers fail to invite the nation's No. 1 team, USC, to the 2004 championship game. The Rose Bowl champion USC Trojans share the national title with the Sugar Bowl champion LSU Tigers.

Reuters/Landov

← Despite several crashes and severe dehydration, Lance Armstrong wins his fifth straight Tour de France by a mere 62 seconds.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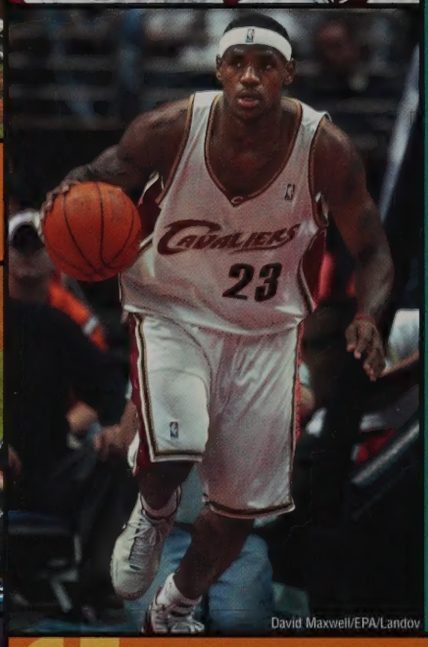
← Behind the defensive brilliance of goalie Martin Brodeur, the New Jersey Devils win the 2003 NHL Stanley Cup by icing the Anaheim Mighty Ducks 3-0 in game seven.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← High school phenomenon LeBron James, 19, is picked first in the 2003 NBA Draft by the Cleveland Cavaliers and enjoys instant success as a pro.

## sports

→ Led by MVP pitcher Josh Beckett, the Florida Marlins beat the heavily favored New York Yankees 2-0 in game six to win the 100th World Series.

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→ Tennis pro Andy Roddick, 21, also known as Mandy Moore's boyfriend, wins his first grand slam title at the U.S. Open in September.

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→ In September, Kenya's Paul Tergat sets the world record in the Berlin Marathon, running the 26.2-mile course in just 2 hours, 4 minutes, 55 seconds.

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In June, Michelle Wie, 13, becomes the youngest winner of a U.S. Golf Association adult event when she wins the U.S. Women's Amateur Public Links.

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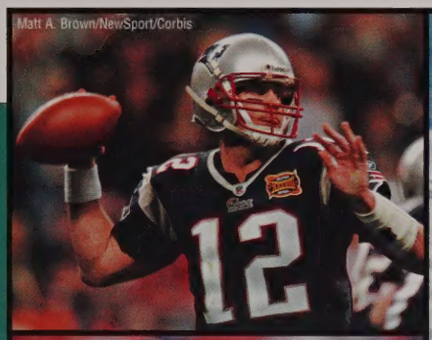
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→ The New England Patriots defeat the Carolina Panthers 32-29 with a field goal in the closing seconds to win Super Bowl XXXVIII.

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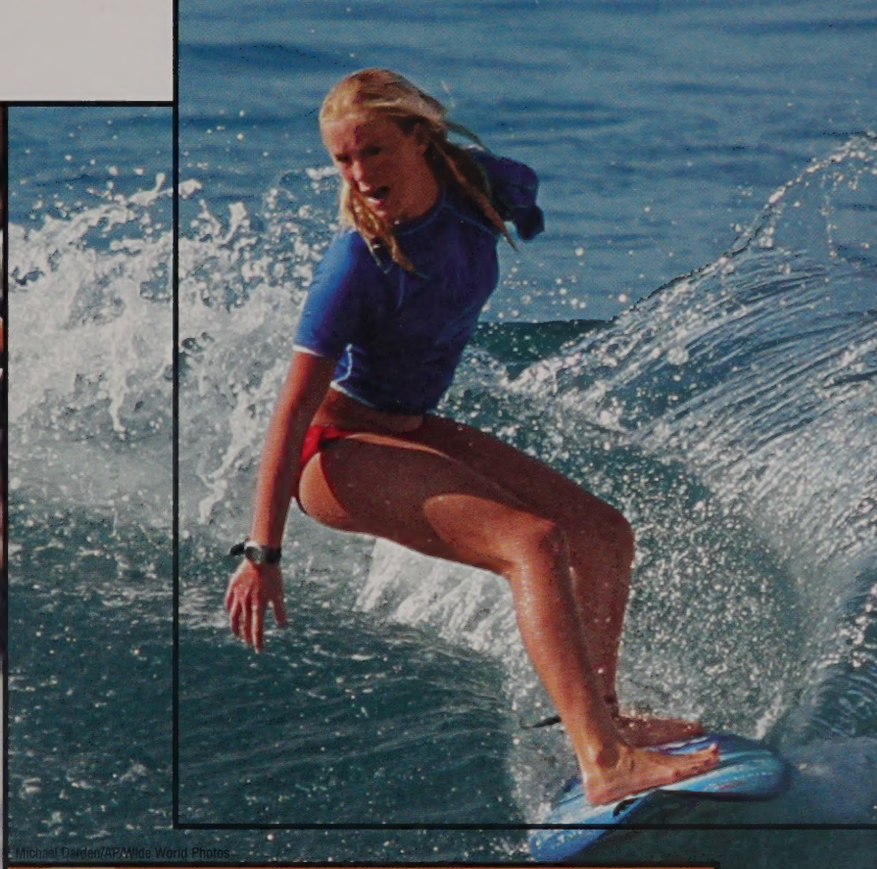
→ Due to a lack of revenue, the Women's United Soccer Association gets the boot after just three seasons.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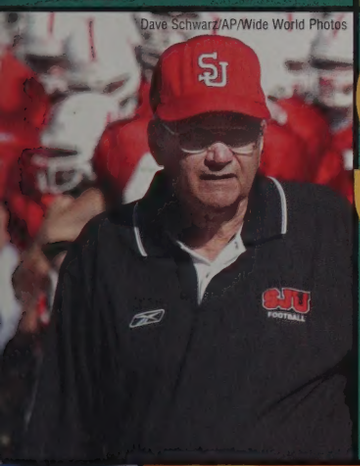
Champion surfer Bethany Hamilton, 13, loses her arm in a shark attack. Just 10 weeks later, Hamilton places fifth in her age group at a National Scholastic Surfing Association meet in January 2004.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← St. John's University coach John Gagliardi, 77, leads his team to an undefeated NCAA Division III Football National Championship while also setting the NCAA Football record for coaching victories with 414.

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← Matt Kenseth claims the NASCAR Winston Cup Series championship, after leading the standings through a record 33 races.

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↑ Freddy Adu, 14, becomes the youngest American pro team athlete in over 100 years when he signs with D.C. United of Major League Soccer.

Death-defying tricks and thrills bring the extreme sports craze to new heights at the January 2004 EXPN Winter X Games VIII in Aspen, Colorado.

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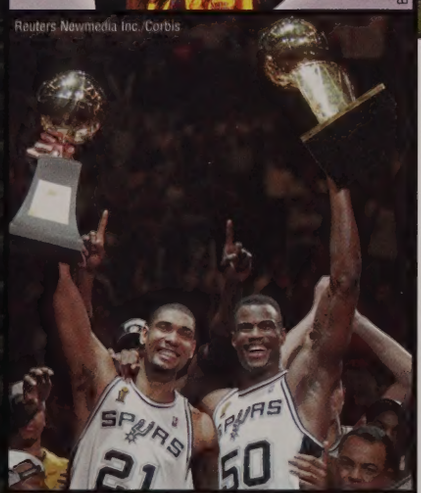
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← League MVP Tim Duncan and David Robinson — in his final game — lead the San Antonio Spurs to the 2003 NBA title with a 4-2 series win over the New Jersey Nets.

# Faces

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America loses three entertainment icons with the deaths of comedian Bob Hope, actress Katharine Hepburn and actor Gregory Peck.

Filippo Monte/EPA/AP/Wide World Photos

← In October, Mother Teresa of Calcutta is beatified by Pope John Paul II in Vatican City. This marks the final step before sainthood in the Roman Catholic Church.

↑ The Pentagon releases decks of 55 cards to U.S. soldiers that feature the most-wanted Iraqi leaders. Dictator Saddam Hussein is the Ace of Spades.

## faces

→ In his first of a number of trials in several states, a Virginia jury sentences D.C. area sniper Lee Boyd Malvo, 18, to life without parole.

Martin Smith-Rodden/EPA/Landov

→ After winning 64 career titles, including 14 grand slam events, and a record six years ranked No. 1, tennis great Pete Sampras retires at the U.S. Open in August.

→ Teen star Hilary Duff tops off her successful movie debut, *The Lizzie McGuire Movie*, with a hit pop album, *Metamorphosis*, and a nationwide tour.

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After being abducted for nine months, Elizabeth Smart is rescued and returns home in March 2003. Her story is made into a TV movie that airs later in the fall.

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